England fans warned by Uefa

Mellor criticises Swedes over Malmo violence

BY NICHOLAS WOOD IN LONDON AND JOHN GOODBODY IN STOCKHOLM

BRITAIN yesterday criticised Sweden for allowing the sale of alcohol to England football supporters attending the European Championship.

The Commons united in condemning the violence in Malmo after Saturday's match between England and France as the Uefa president, Lennart Johansson, gave a warning that more trouble from England fans in Sweden could lead to another ban on clubs and the international team in European competitions.

David Mellor, the national heritage secretary, whose department has responsibility for sport, said that the Swedish authorities had ignored advice to deny drink to the

Although the decision did not excuse the "lamentable behaviour" of a small minority, it had contributed to the disturbances, which began outside a beer tent crammed

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German hostages are freed

By Our Foreign Staff

THE last remaining Western hostages in Lebanon, Thomas Kemptner and Heinrich Struebig, were freed last night in Beirut.

A statement issued by the 121 of Iranian news agency, Irna, said the two Germans had been handed over to the "relevant officials" and were no

longer in captivity.

Herr Kemptner, 31, and Herr Kempmer, 31, and
Herr Struebig, 51, were both
kidnapped in May 1989 by a
group associated with Abdel
Hadi Hamadi, the security
chief of Hezbollah (Party of
God), an extremist Shia Muslim organisation believed to be responsible for other kidnappings of Westerners in

Lebanon. According to Hezbollah sources, Hammadi had intended to swap the two Germans for his younger brothers. Mohammad and brothers, Mohammad and Abbas, both of whom are imprisoned in Germany for terrorist offences. It was not immediately clear yesterday whether a deal had been struck to obtain the two hostages' release. The German government has repeatedly efused to make any deal with

the kidnappers. Hopes for the two Germans release rose two weeks ago when Berndt Schmidbauer, a senior official in the office of Helmut Kohl, the office of Freiman Koni, the German chancellor, con-veyed a message from Herr Kohl to President Rafsaniani veyed a message from Herr Kohl to President Rafsanjani The Artes of Iran.

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Earlier a statement by the kidnappers said "positive results" had been achieved in response to "international mediation and efforts exerted by Lebanon, Syria and Iran". The first hint of a move towards freeing the Germans came at the weekend when Giandomenico Picco, the United Nations special envoy who has played a key role in previous hostage negotiations, arrived in Damascus.

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with hundreds of England supporters. "I very much regret that we have once again had the opportunity of proving that beer and certain

English football fans do not mix," Mr Mellor said. He was responding to pro-tests from MPs about what Sir Michael Neubert, a former minister, called "emptyheaded, beer-bellied louts" who had again besmirched the nation.

Mr Johansson dismissed any suggestion that the England squad could be sent home even if there is a repeat of the riots in Malmo. But he added: "If it does happen again, and we see we are running into problems we have, of course, to sit down and discuss about the future the future of English clubs and the national team."

English clubs have been back in Europe for two seasons since the ban which followed the Heysel stadium disaster in 1985. Mr Johansson said: "This cannot go on year after year. I was in favour all the time for bringing the English clubs back, but I think now the English government and the FA have to reconsider the situation. I had the impression they had kept it fairly well under control, but now it blows up

In Stockholm, police gave a warning that they would adopt tougher tactics to combat violence tomorrow. Mr Mellor told the Commons that steps were being taken to catch the hooligans. Malcolm George, the assistant chief constable of Greater Manchester, was leading a team of British police in ing videos of the riots to iden-

tify the culprits. "Everything possible is being done to ensure that those who can be identified as playing a part in these events are arrested. Already serious charges have been preferred in Sweden . . . I hope that we shall be able to exclude those convicted from going to foot-ball matches again for a very long time."

Mr Mellor added that those convicted of hooliganism could be prohibited from entering football grounds in the UK. Even if they were not convicted of an offence, their names could be passed to other countries hosting football matches and they could be denied entry.

The national heritage sec retary, who returned from Malmo yesterday, said that UEFA and the Swedish authorities had appreciated the efforts made by the UK police and football authorities to curb the hooligans. Names of 300 known troublemakers had been given to the Swedes. Half a dozen had been excluded, but he thought that the number should be greater the next time England played

Mr Mellor said that the assistance had also included advice, minuted at the Coun-cil of Europe meeting before the championship, that beer should not be served to English supporters. At the 1990 World Cup in Italy, alcohol sales were banned for 24 hours before and after match-

Stockholm police will adopt a different strategy from their Malmo colleagues to cope with potential England troublemakers when they arrive for the game against Sweden tomorrow. With the total arrests of Britons at 95, 29 of them facing court appearances after the Malmo violence, Stockholm police will station at least 700 officers at the cheap beer tent.

 Swedish police have charged two people who are alleged to have started the Malmo disturbance when they dimbed on the roof of a beer tent. Neil Goodwin, 23. of Letchworth, Hertfordshire, has been charged with assault and Kristian Wiermyhar, 21, a Norwegian, is in custody.

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Tory party rebels called naive over Maastricht

BY PHILIP WEBSTER AND NICHOLAS WOOD

JOHN Major yesterday criti-cised Conservative MPs for staging a public display of disunity over the future of the Maastricht treaty and thus weakening his hand in negotiations in the European Community.

At a lunch with 30 new party MPs, the prime minister was reported to have voiced his dismay at the split in Tory ranks over Europe and told some of them who had signed the Commons motion calling for a "fresh start" on Europe that they had been naive. The prime minister enter-

tained the new MPs after assessing the state of backbench opinion on Europe with his business managers, Richard Ryder, the chief whip, Tony Newton, the Commons leader, and John Wakeham, the Lords leader. They agreed that the Maastricht bill would not be reintroduced until the situation in Denmark, which re-

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jected the treaty in a ref-

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The Prince and Princess of Wales waiting for their carriage before leaving the annual service of the Order of the Garter at Windsor Castle yesterday. Sir Edward Heath was one of three new knights installed

Knights become hot under the collar

BY ALAN HAMILTON

GILBERTIAN flummery was designed for temperate climes. The Knights of the Garter were boiled unmercifully inside their cloaks and processed before a crowd of 3,000 in the precincts of Windsor Castle to the annual service of England's oldest and highest order of

Sir Edward Heath, beaming mightily throughout, became one of three new knights to be installed in a ceremony created in honour of St George by Edward III in 1348, probably in an age when summers were cooler. Earlier yesterday, in the privacy of the castle throne room, Sir Edward had had his blue garter buckled just below his left knee by the Queen, assisted by two other Knights Companion, the Lords Callaghan and

Carrington. Sir Edward is the fifth prime minister of the Queen's reign, following Churchill, Eden, Wilson and Callaghan, to be invested with the highest civil order in the land. He may draw satisfaction from now out-ranking his old adversary Baroness Thatcher in the precedence of chivalry; her Order of Merit is a lesser

tribute, if only just. Since 1946 the Garter has been detached from all political influence, and is now firmly in the Queen's person-

Former prime ministers are traditionally offered a heredi-tary peerage, but Sir Edward has consistently refused. Having no children on whom to bequeath a title, he will regard the Garter, limited to 24 Knights Companion at any one time, as more than Continued on page 2, col 3

Major 'never saw secret service files on Maxwell'

By JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Major is expected to tell the Commons today that he has never seen any information from Britain's intelligence services about the financial dealings of Robert Maxwell.

The prime minister is expected to come under pres sure at question time to spell out his own knowledge after a Labour demand for a Commons statement on the allegations was rejected yesterday. He will also be challenged on whether intelligence services should investigate commercial activities of private Individuals.

Downing Street and the Cabinet Office refused to comment yesterday on reports that the joint intelligence committee, part of the Cabinet Office, received details of telephone and fax messages intercepted from Mr Maxwell's yacht in the Mediterranean.

Whitehall sources rejected allegations that the security service had submitted papers on this subject to the Cabinet. They said that the source of the claim, named in an article in the Financial Times. would not have had access to sensitive information at the

A Cabinet investigation is under way to check whether any intelligence papers relating to Mr Maxwell's financial dealings were received. A Bank of England spokesman said yesterday that the bank could find no trace of intelligence reports, said to have been made in 1989, exposing Mr Maxwell's irregular dea-

Gordon Brown, shadow trade and industry secretary, called for a Commons statement on the allegations. He said that it was "improper" that the government collected information unconnected with security matters through its intelligence services. Mr Brown asked why the government had not intervened, and protected thousands of pensioners, if it knew of financial

irregularities. Whitehall sources said out resteraay. that Robin Robison, a former Joint Intelligence Committee official. who was the only named source of the claim in yesterday's Financial Times, was moved to a post in which he had no access to sensitive intelligence information in June 1989 before the alleged events took place that autumn.

A full report was prepared for the Cabinet at the time of Mr Maxwell's death, but some details were passed to the Cabinet in 1989, according to the newspaper. The article said the information was distributed to top Whitehall officials including the prime minister's office and Cabinet ministers.

It was made clear that Mr Robison would not be prosecuted under the Official Secrets Act for giving out details purporting to be government information.

Mr Robison left his job as administrative clerk to the JIC in 1990 after speaking out on television and in the press over what he claimed were abuses by the intelli-gence services, which he described as being "out of ministerial control".

Mr Brown has written to Mr Major asking him to make a clear statement on who was informed, when and in what detail and why no action was taken to investigate fraud and protect pension funds.

☐ Lord Stevens of Ludgate chairman of Invesco MIM, which handled more than £50 million of the Mirror

that he felt no moral obligation to donate funds to the new Maxwell pensioners' charity (Neil Bennett writes). In a second blow to the

government's hopes that City firms and institutions would 32,000 Maxwell pensioners, Andrew Hugh Smith, chairman of the Stock Exchange, also said it would not contribute to the funds because it had not benefited from any of the publisher's share dealings.

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Spike gets last laugh with honorary CBE

By JO KNOWSLEY

CONFUSION surrounding the apparent snub of Spike Milligan in last weekend's Birthday honours was resolved yesterday with the confirmation of one of Britain's best loved comedians as an honorary CBE.

News had leaked out before the weekend that the former Goon, 74, a comedy favourite of the Prince of Wales was to appear on the list. The Manic Depression Fellowship, of which he is patron, had gone so far as to issue a press release congratulating him. Saturday

dawned — but there was no award. Yesterday it became clear that, because he is an Irish and not a British citizen, he could not figure in the list but was entitled to an honorary award.

which are announced later. Last night at his home in East Sussex he said he was flattered by the award, but shrugged off any implications of

nobility. "I can't see the sense in it really, as it makes me a Commander of the British Empire. It would have been more sensible to make me a Commander of Milton Keynes - at least that exists. My parents were snobby and they would have loved this, but I have no sense of ritual, no ego.

"What does the honour feel like? Well. I haven't felt it yet. I get my hands on it on June 23, when I go into a politician's office and he'll pull it from a drawer and give it to me. Then I'll go home and put it in another drawer. No sense at all." Another Irish citizen, rock star Bob Geldof, was made an honorary knight

after his giant Band Aid fund-raising Mr Milligan could have justifiably expected to become a CBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours. Earlier this year he received a letter from Whitehall asking him if he would accept, and he replied: "Yes". But he says that he was

not really disappointed at last week's omission David Mellor, the national heritage

secretary, yesterday sent a personal message of congratulations to Mr Milligan for the award of the CBE, conferred for "outstanding services as a writer, broadcaster and entertainer, and his involvement with the conservation of the environment, children's safety and mental health over many years."

Mr Melior said: "It is a well-deserved honour and I am delighted to offer my personal congratulations to Spike Milligan. I am sure very many people in this country and elsewhere will be very

Mr Milligan, however, while pleased. remained unimpressed. Asked what mattered in his life these days, he said: "A good wine. I'm about to eat a won-derful spagnetti with a very good Australian red - and I'm taking the phone off the hook to do it."



not much impressed

Lazy Britons put health in peril, study finds

By ALISON ROBERTS

THE English are putting their health at risk because they take too little exercise, according to a large survey of fitness levels in the adult

Although 80 per cent recognise that exercise is benefi-cial to health, few engage in it regularly. Firness levels in young women and middleaged men are particularly

worrying, the survey says.

The report, published by
the Health Education Authority and the Sports Council which claim that their survey is the most comprehensive undertaken, shows that even among those aged 16 to 24, 70 per cent of men and 91 per cent of women are not fit enough for a healthy life. This age group should exercise vigorously three times a week for 20 minutes. says the Health Education Authority and the Sports Council which published the report. Only 14 per cent of young men and four per cent of women are exercising to

this level. The survey also found that one third of men and two thirds of women were unable to walk at a reasonable pace up a small slope without becoming breathless. Walking for several minutes on level ground constitutes severe exertion for half the women aged over 55 years. Among 65 to 74 year olds almost a third of men and a half of

women would have difficulty doing simple things such as rising from a chair without

Better physical fitness can help reduce the risk of coronary heart disease, control blood pressure and prevent osteoporosis, Dr Jacky Chambers, the Health Education Authority's director of public health, said. By getting fitter we would put less strain on the National Health Service and remain physiologically

young for longer. The report suggests that we get fatter and less fit each year: 48 per cent of men and 40 per cent of women are weight. Obesity was one of the reasons given for lack of exercise. About one in six of the 6,000 people surveyed had taken no exercise in the previous four weeks.

Derek Casey, director of the Sports Council, said that people thought they were fit-ter than they really are. He said those who played sport as children were more likely to

carry on exercising as adults.
"We must get people to do sport more frequently and for greater durations," he said. Older people must avoid a spiral of inactivity in which lack of exercise leads to de-creased physical capability. Sir Donald Maitland,

chairman of the Health Education Authority, said the re-port was being discussed with the publishers.

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Domingo stars in ambitious Tosca

By SIMON TAIT, ARTS CORRESPONDENT

duction, which is said to have a potential audience of 1.5 billion, has brought BBC2 and Channel 4 together in their first collaboration.

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A version of Puccini's Tosca, set in three locations in Rome, is to be televised live with each act being performed exactly in the place specified in the plot. The opera is set during the Napoleonic Wars when Rome is controlled by secret police whose chief, Scarpia, is in love with Tosca, an opera singer, who herself loves a

dissident, Cavaradossi. BBC2 will televise live the first act at Sant'Andrea Della Valle at Ilam on Saturday. July 11, the second at the Palazzo Farnese - now the French embassy - that evening at 8.40 and the third act, at Castel Sant'Angelo, at

MRITIOUS opera pro- 68m the pext morning, Channel 4 will televise a recording of the entire opera that Sunday evening.

Placido Domingo, the Spanish tenor who has made the part of Cavaradossi a speciality, will lead the cast. "For this I am going to have to be in good shape to perform before millions of people for almost 24 hours," he said. None of us knows what will happen, but this is going to mean a revolution in the world of opera."

The BBC and Channel 4 are contributing £300,000 to the £7 million cost of the "live film", as the project's Albanian-born conceiver and producer, Andrea Andermann, calls it.

The opera will be seen in 46 countries, with the only live audiences being the production crews.



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Garter knights get hot under the collar

Continued from page 1 adequate compensation. His personal armorial plate on his knight's stall in St George's Chapel will long outlive him, joining the many hundreds, ancient and modern, that form one of the finest heraldic collections in the world.

Known in office to the satirists of the early 1970s as the Grocer, Sir Edward was not the only member of that pro-

yesterday.

Lord Sainsbury, the nation's leading provision merchant, also joined the hallowed ranks of the Garter, as did Lord Ridley, lord steward of the Royal Household and elder brother of the recently ennobled former Cabinet minister.

Vacancies in the Order were created by the deaths in the past two years of the Earl of Cromer and the Lords De L'Isle and Ashburton. Lords Callaghan and Wilson, the other two surviving Garter prime ministers, were both present yesterday, the latter looking frail and requiring the help of an attendant to guide him to his place.

But there was an alternative and greater centre of at-traction. The crowd saw the Princess of Wales, in a cool cream suit with matching broad-brimmed hat, arrive by car with the Duchess of Kent, who is on crutches after breaking an ankle, and enter St George's by the side door of the Galilee Porch. The Prince of Wales, as is traditional, walked at the head of the procession with Queen Elizabeth the Queen

As the royal party, preceded by many-coloured heralds and followed by the Garter Knights, moved from nave to quire, Lavinia Duchess of Norfolk, aged 76 and the only non-royal woman in the Order, tripped and fell on a step. She appeared shaken but unhurt, and spent the service dabbing her nose. The heat also took its toll of a scarlet-tunicked Yeoman of the Guard at the rear of the nave, who sunk to his knees to the echoing clatter of dropped

During the service, as the three new Knights were con-ducted to their stalls, the

Watch kept

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policies

THE government will be told

today that its green commit-

ments will be closely moni-

tored. David Astor, chairman

of the Council for the Protec-

tion of Rural England, will

make it clear when he

presents the council's annual

report that in spite of a low

media profile for the environ-

ment in the run up to the election, the council worked

behind the scenes to secure

The organisation believes

that one of its most important

lobbying successes last year

was the passage of the Plan-

ning and Compensation Act.

Mr Astor's speech says:

"Thanks in no small degree to

CPRE's lobbying, this mea-

sure reversed the years of de-

regulation during the 1980s

and equips the town and

country planning system with

the tools necessary to tackle

some of our most pressing

policy successes to which the

council says it influenced.

These include a shift in atti-

tude towards minerals ex-

traction, new controls over

farm buildings and roads.

and a government commitment to legislate to protect

hedgerows from destruction.

The organisation also claims credit for official ac-

ceptance of the case for national parks being run by independent authorities and

selective water metering in drought vulnerable areas.

The council says it also influenced the choice of an east

London approach for the

The Times

We apologise to readers in

parts of the West Country, East Anglia and the Mid-lands who did not receive

their copies of Saturday's

edition. This was due to

production difficulties. The

issue included a four-page

guide to hotels involved in our Passport to France promo-

tion, and readers wishing to

receive a copy should contact the Times backdates depart-

Channel Tunnel rail link.

environmental problems," He will also highlight other

important advances.



Prince and Princess of Wales sat side by side. Afterwards, as the procession moved to the West Door, the prince once again accompanied his grandmother while the princess walked alone several paces behind the Queen and

the Duke of Edinburgh, staring nervously at the floor. But then, in what the crowd saw as a masterstroke but is in fact perfectly normal, she and the prince climbed to-

back to the castle. The enthusiastic cheers from the crowd. on the day that a controversial book about the princess was published, far outweighed those for the boiling. gether into an open carriage elderly men whose show it for the quarter mile drive was supposed to be.

Reunited survivors of the Titanic look back to 1912

THREE grand old ladies were reunited yesterday to recall the infamous night 80 years ago when the SS Titanic struck an iceberg in

mid-Atlantic and sank with the loss of 1,506 lives. Edith Haisman, 95, Eva Hart, 87, and Millvina Dean. 80. are Britain's three remaining survivors though another nine are believed to be alive in other parts of the world. They gathered in Southampton, from where the White Star liner sailed on her ill-fated maiden voyage on April 10, 1912. Scarcely a street in the city was un-touched by the tragedy, for 699 members of her crew of 915 were from Southampton and of those only 147

survived. At the opening of an exhibition, Titanic Voices, at the local maritime museum, Mrs Haisman, from Harefield, west London, said from her wheelchair: "I still remember it as vividly as if it were yes-terday. I still miss my father. He was a good man." Mrs Haisman, née Brown, who was born of British par-

ents during the Boer War in South Africa, was travelling with them to open an hotel in Seattle. She was asleep in her cabin when the Titanic

Three survivors of the Titanic's sinking recall for Michael Horsnell that terrible night in April 1912

hit the iceberg. She said: "Being young, I didn't realise we might be drowned. You could see the ice for miles across the sea .. nobody worried about it, some of the people, from the third class, came up playing with ice on deck and people in the first class, well they couldn't. believe it. They said 'no, she's unsinkable'. They went back

to bed." Her father put her and her mother into a lifeboat and walked away. Mrs Haisman said she watched the Titanic's lights disappearing.
"It was terrible, lots of shouting and people crying as she went down." She was picked up by the Carpathian after six hours in freezing water and her mother told her she would never see her father

At nine weeks. Miss Dean, who lives at Woodlands in the New Forest, was the youngest passenger aboard. never told me much about what happened because it was such a tragedy she didn't

Miss Dean, whose brother Bertram, 82, another survivor, died in April this year, was lowered into a lifeboat in a sack because she was too small to carry. She said: "We were emigrants. My father had a pub in London and the family was going to Kansas to buy a tobacconist's shop."

Miss Hart, born in Ilford, Essex, in 1905 and now living near by at Romford, was seven when she sailed for America with her father, a master builder, and her mother. Her mother had a premonition of a disaster and refused to go to bed during the voyage, instead sit-ting up to sew and knit. Miss Hart recalled being

awoken by a bump. She said: My father went away and spoke to one of the sailors and came back and said, 'we have hit an iceberg. They are going to launch the lifeboats but you will all be back on board for breakfast. They started to lower the boats. I never saw him again. He told me to hold my mummy's hand and be a good girl. That is all he said."



Shared memories: Miss Hart, left. Miss Dean, centre, and Mrs Haisman

NEWS IN BRIEF

Kinnock pulls out of Euro party post

president of the Confederation of European Socialist Parties and became the latest casualty of the confused political situation in Europe caused by the Danish rejection of the Maastricht treaty (Philip Webster writes).

The Labour leader said last night after a meeting of confederation leaders in Lisbon that the possibility that Labour could eventually oppose a reintroduced Maastricht treaty ratification bill would be inconsistent with his duties as president. The confederation strongly supports the Maastricht treaty, particularly the social chapter from which Britain has opted out. Mr Kinnock had been the only declared candidate and would almost certainly have been appointed but for the Danish referendum result.

Last week it was reported that other social democratic

party leaders were becoming concerned by Labour's apparent wavering commitment to the EC. and might push for someone else. However, Labour sources emphasised last night that the decison to pull out was Mr Kinnock's. It was said that at a lunch yesterday with confederation

leaders he became convinced that there was a conflict of duty between heading the confederation with its total commit-ment to Maastricht and his duty to the Parliamentary Labour Party and the British parliament. Labour's official line has been to abstain on Maastricht but there is a growing likelihood that this will soon become opposition.

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Morton defends book

The Princess of Wales will probably leave the royal family unless she can find some accommodation in her life. Andres Morton, author of the commwersial biography of the princess serialised in The Sunday Times, said on BBC radio resterday. "There is a chronic instability in both the House of Windsor and her marriage, and she is no longer prepared to see it go on." he said. To a suggestion that publication of

the book Dianu: Her true story was in neither the public nor the princess's interest. Mr Morton replied: "It is a wellsourced book. I think it is in her interest that her story is told. It is a sympathetic account of a woman of great courage, of a woman who has been in the depths of despair

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Vaccine policy attacked

The government was yesterday criticised for restricting the availability of vaccines against hepatitis B. a highly infectious disease that is the most common cause of primary liver cause. liver cancer. At a press conference to launch Hepatitis B. Awareness Week, Elizabeth Fagan, of the Royal Free Hospital, in Hampstead, northwest London, said that the health department policy was to restrict the vaccine to those perceived to be at highest risk: health care workers, however, the same perceived to be at highest risk: health care workers, homosexuals, intravenous drug users and people receiving many blood transfusions. The policy, Dr Fagan said, had failed to make any impact on eradicating the disease. The health department said that the incidence of the disease had been falling, with only just over 500 cases a year, and that the case for universal vaccination had not been made.

Policing by degrees

Scotland Yard is introducing a training scheme for police officers which will lead to academic qualifications ranging from a certificate in policing to a full degree. The scheme introduced with Portsmouth Polytechnic, is believed to be the first of its kind in Britain and 150 recruits have enroled for the first stage. They will study towards a certificate in higher education in policing based on their training course. They must also write a 1,500 word essay on a policing theme and submit a 3,500 word case study examining an actual incident. Recruits are not required to sit for the diploma which is not a guarantee to promotion. The course will operate like the Open University with the students working from courses and exercises sent to them.

Whale joins bathers

A 25-foot whale played happily with swimmers off the Dorset coast at the weekend. The whale, thought to be humpback, was spotted off West Bay by Alan Thomas as he prepared for a water-skiing session with his daughter Sarah. 14, in the family's boat. They spent about three hours playing in the water with the whale. Mr Thomas, 42, who lives near Bridport, said: "We closed in to have a look and it just followed us a couple of feet behind my propeller. Somehow the whale got over to us there was nothing to fear and we got into the water with it. Gently I got hold of its dorsal fin and it was pulling me along in the water. Then it lifted me out of the water with its tail. I turned around, there was Sarah sitting on its tail." Another swimmer said it was "totally exhilarating" to play with the whale.

PC denies assault

A police inspector told a court yesterday how he arrested one of his own officers after he caught him attacking a motorist who had just been arrested for suspected drink driving. Inspector Jeremy Alford said he had to continue restraining PC David Parr after the attack took place. He told Southwark Crown Court, south London, that he had pulled PC Parr off Roger Wood, a businessman from Hounslow. west London, after he saw the officer punching him in the back of a police van. Mr Alford said that PC Parr punched the man with force in the midriff and in the face. The police constable, suspended from duty since the incident on July 27 last year, denies assault occasioning actual bodily harm. The

Trampled girl dies

A teenage girl died yesterday after being trampled by runaway horses which bolted while pulling a wedding carriage. Sandra Grabnic 16, of Derby, was knocked to the ground while walking along the pavement with her mother. She was taken to Queen's Medical Centre. Nottingham, with serious head injuries on Saturday afternoon. The wedding carriage was being pulled by two horses taking newly-weds from a ceremony to their reception. The horses broke free and caused a string of collisions as motorists tried to avoid hitting them. Newly-weds Robert and Lee Cole were

Tiny baby improves

The world's smallest baby, two months premature, can now breathe on his own. Tyler Davison, who was just 6in long and weighed 11oz when he was born a week ago, is in the baby care unit at Nottingham City Hospital with his twin Stephen, who weighed 2lb 2oz. Their mother Caterina Davison, aged 31, of Lincoln, gave birth by Caesarian section. The twins were described as being in a stable condition but doctors said that they were still regarded as very vulnerable.

Life for woman soldier

Susan Christie, a soldier in the Ulster Defence Regiment. was jailed for five years yesterday for the manslaughter of the wife of her army officer lover. Christic, 23, a UDR private. was jailed by Downpatrick Crown Court for killing Penny McAllister. 24, who was married to Captain Duncan McAllister of the Royal Signals. She lured her to a forest park and slashed her throat.

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Three officers jailed Oulls out for swindling police union funds By Helen Johnstone

THE top tier of the West Midlands branch of the Police Federation was rotten, a judge said yesterday, before jailing three of its former senior officials for dishonesty.

Warwick Crown Court was and that three long-serving

Warwick told that three long-serving police officers had admitted police officers had admitted their union-issued credpoint using their union-issued creuusing their union-issued creuusing their union-issued creuit cards to pay for personal
holidays and trips abroad.
One also admitted stealing
money which should have
gone to the widows of colmoney which should have gone to the widows of colleagues. Nicholas Brown, for the prosecution, said that the officers, including two sergeants, had stolen from the police federation, a union which existed to protect the Resident kinnick part

Lecturer accused of killing man in fire

A WOMAN killed an elderly neighbour when she set fire to her flat to try to clear mounting debts, an Old Bailey jury was told yesterday. Lyn Payne, 31, a self-em-

played lecturer in computers, owed £18,386 to loan computers, owed £18,386 to loan computers, panies and a building society for mortgage arrears. Her flat had fallen in value from the £50,000 she paid for it three years before to be worth only £36,000, War-

worth only £36,000, Warwick McKinnon, for the wick McKinnon, for the prosecution, said. The debts were rising at the rate of about £2,000 a month.

Ms Payne poured petrol around her fifth floor flat, locked the front door behind her and lit the fuel through the letter box. Mr the letter box. Mr McKinnon said. The explosion blew out her window, blasted her front door off its

hinges and knocked her over, injuring a shoulder and a forearm. She ran from the building, in Shepherd's

Bush Green, west London,
Screening for help.
The explosion started a fire that trapped many of the help trapped many of the he in the property of the party burned about the is the production face and hands. He died in hospital three days later.

At first nobody suspected Ms Payne, Mr McKinnon said. Suspicion fell on four innocent youths who had been helping the elderly victims of the fire. They were 15 Datiners arrested but quickly eliminated from police enquiries.

A THE Police discovered Ms thought to Payne's debts and also that the month of the had recently increased the had the state of the s and the same when he and a boy friend had moved the help he backs full of belongings to the safety of her sister's gamge on the night before the

Ms Payne, who denies manslaughter and arson, was alleged to have taken dothing, make-up, records, video tapes, her birth certificate, other legal papers and a photograph of her two cats.

When arrested she was said to have told detectives: "I went back to my flat, put my key in the front door when I key in the front door when I heard a bang. I was scared." The trial continues today.

BY HARVEY ELLIOTT

RICHARD Branson, the

interests of serving officers. Judge Harrison Hall described the branch of the Police Federation branch as "rotten at the top".

Sergeant David Mytton, aged 50, of King's Norton, Birmingham, a former chairman of the West Midlands branch of the federation and an officer for 28 years, was jailed for 15 months. He also admitted stealing cheques from a federation insurance

Mr Brown said that the case involved "various forms of dishonesty by experienced police officers who worked full time at the heart of the West Midlands police federa-tion". The federation repre-sents almost 7,000 constables, sergeants and inspectors. Mr Brown said

officers made regular pay-ments into an insurance scheme, with premiums being deducted from their salaries at source. Twice, when the premiums went up at the beginning of 1989 and 1990, deductions were made as though the increase was for the whole of the month, when in fact the higher rate should only have

been paid for two weeks. On

both occasions Mytton stole

the balance. The policies matured on the date an officer died and by the time the paperwork had been completed the cheque from the insurance company was for that amount, plus interest since the date of death. But nine times, Mytton made out cheques to the widows of his colleagues for the amount on the policies only and stole the

interest, a total of £4,400. The court was told that Sergeant Mytton had covered his tracks by making false entries in the accounts book

and had diverted more than £10,000 for his own use. Mytton, who became chair-

man of the federation in 1986, admitted 17 offences of theft and false accounting and asked for eight others to be taken into consideration. The judge said that Myston had not only deceived his own organisation but had swin-dled police widows out of money they were due.

Another of those jailed was

former PC Arther Quinn, 48, who had been secretary of the West Midlands branch. Quinn, a British Empire Medal holder, pleaded guilty to three charges of theft. Ser-geant David Powell, 51, the branch's former treasurer, admitted four charges of

Quinn, of Birmingham, and Poweli, of Halesowen, West Midlands, were each jailed for three months. Quinn had denied seven oth-er charges of dishonesty and Powell denied five similar offences. Their pleas were accepted by the prosecution.

Mr Brown said that Quinn had used federation funds to pay for holidays for himself and his wife in Greece in 1989 and 1990. He used his union-issued credit card for sums in excess of £750 and also used the card to pay for accommodation during a four-day trip to Barcelona.

Powell, a police officer for almost 30 years, admitted using federation funds to pay for air tickets for himself and his wife to Toronto in 1989, and for holidays in in Spain in 1989 and 1990. Judge Harrison Hall told

them: "This organisation was rotten at the top. It is clear that each of you in his own way was aware that the others were committing similar



Heartfelt plea: Anne Diamond, the television presenter whose baby was a cot death victim, with Michael O'Conner, three months, at the launch of National Cot Death Appeal Week which aims to raise £2.1 million for research

Minister fights for **NHS** dentistry

By JEREMY LAURANCE

health secretary, wrote to all Family Health Services Authorities reminding them of their right to appoint salaried dentists where necessary to "remedy a service deficiency". She also urged dentists, who are being balloted this week on industrial action over the government's decision to cut their fees by 7 per cent, to think "long and hard" before

services," she said. "Should there be areas where difficulties emerge, patients would look to me to ensure proper services are provided."

introducing salaried dentists.

"There are no problems, no side effects, I feel fine," she said. Mrs Tyson, who has two children, is taking too small a dose of the drug for it to be effective, while its safety is tested. But she is keen to be included in the second phase

whether salaried dentists would provide value for money. One with experience of the scheme said: "If you are paid the same whether you see one patient an hour or 10 patients an hour, there is no incentive

The government is propos-ing to cut dentists' fees from July 8 because they earned more than expected last year. The British Dental Association says the higher earnings are the result of harder

☐ A dentist who threatened to refuse treatment to Tory voters because they had helped to return an "uncaring party" to power has backed down after taking advice from the General Dental Council.

Jean Saunders, 46, of Swindon, accused the Conservatives of action that could lead to hundreds of dentists withdrawing from the NHS and treating only private pa-tients. She said: "It's the people who returned a Tory government who are unwit-tingly to blame for what's going on."

Halford accuses her boss of lying

By RONALD FAUX

ALISON Halford, the suspended assistant chief constable of Merseyside, yesterday accused her chief constable of lying over his recollection of an interview with her after she had gained access to private files on his word

processor. She told an industrial tribunal in Manchester that the file contained a personal ref-James Sharples after she applied for the post of deputy chief constable of Thames Valley. Miss Halford, 52, who is claiming sexual distributions of the constable of the constab crimination after failing to win promotion, said: "I was quite shocked and absolutely appalled that a man who said he would give me a good reference could write such damaging material on me. I just could not believe that Jim Sharples could be so devious.

The tribunal was told that the document ended with the words "I commend her", but that Mr Sharples had expressed concern about Miss Halford's judgment and per-

Later at an interview with Mr Sharples she had told him the reference was one of the most spiteful and mischievious documents she

had ever seen. Mr Sharples had then asked how she had seen it and at first she had declined to tell him. She wanted to know why he had written it and he told her that was how he perceived her and it was an honest assessment.

Miss Halford said there were important differences between her recollection of her interview and that of the chief constable. She said: "I take no pleasure yet again in saying the chief constable of Merseyside is a liar."

Miss Halford is accusing the Home Secretary, the chief constable of Merseyside, HM Inspector of Constabulary, and Northamptonshire Pol-ice Authority of sexual dis-crimination after her nine anempts to win promotion failed. The hearing continues today.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Boy wins £1.2m damages

A boy aged nine whose intelli-gent mind is "trapped" inside a crippled body because of a medical blunder at birth is to receive at least £1.27 million damages under a structured settlement approved by the

High Court yesterday.
Sameer Pimpalkhare, of Redbourne, Hertfordshire, has cerebral palsy caused by loss of oxygen after degrees. loss of oxygen after doctors delayed a Caesarean section. The damages will be met by North West Hertfordshire Health Authority. Mr Michael Brent, QC, for the family, said that Sameer's intellectual capacity was undamaged but he could not walk, speak or feed himself.

Jail contract

Nine private-sector contractors have been asked to tender to run Britain's first private jail for convicted prisoners, Blakenhurst prison, near Redditch, Hereford and Worcester. The prison is due to open next spring and will take about 650 medium-risk inmates. A Home Office controller will investigate any allegations of misconduct by staff and will adjudicate on disciplinary matters.

Deaf thief jailed

A deaf armed robber who raided eight jewellers in north and west London, was jailed for 11 years by the Central Criminal Court yesterday. Livingstone Haynes, 31, of no fixed address, admitted eight robbery and firearms charges. He was arrested in November days after the last robbery when he left fingerprints on a counter. Although deal, he was a very good lipreader, the court was told.

Jail term cut

The 11-year jail sentence of a man who abducted Simon Jones, 4, and hid him at a men's hostel for two months was cut to seven years by the Court of Appeal. Mr Justice Turner said that the sentence imposed on Peter May, 26. formerly of Hemel Hemp-stead, Hertfordshire, was "manifestly excessive".

Patients test drug aimed at halting cancer spread

By JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

trials in breast cancer pa-tients. If successful, it could be effective against a range of cancers by preventing then

spreading around the body. Scientists at the Cancer Research Campaign, which is conducting the trials, are ex-cited by the the new drug's potential but said it was too early to describe it as a breakthrough. Tests in animals have shown it to be effective against skin cancer and ovarian cancer as well as breast

Cancer's capacity to spread to other organs and tissues makes it difficult to treat. A drug which could prevent this vance. A tumour in the breast, for example, can be removed surgically but the operation often comes too late to prevent the disease's

spread and fatal outcome.

The new drug, a metalloproteinase inhibitor called BB-94, works in a different way from other cancer drugs. Instead of killing the cancer cells it counteracts an enzyme produced by the cells that breaks down the cell walls in normal tissue, allow-

A PROMISING new anti- ing the cancer to spread. British Biotechnology, said cancer drug that counters the disease by confining it in one part of the body has begun can stop the growth of "keep it silent". If the drug tumours.

The drug, produced by British Biotechnology, is being tested for safety on 12 patients at the Christie hospi-



Margaret Tyson, one of the patients in the trial

tal in Manchester. The main trial, involving 15 to 30 patients, will start in six months. Patients with breast cancer resistant to existing treatments have been selected because it is a major common cancer causing 16,000

Dr Peter Lewis, director of research and development at

HEALTH SERVICE CORRESPONDENT

THE government moved yesterday to secure the provision of dentistry on the NHS in that general dental practicase dentists carry out their tioners are expected to earn.

threat to withdraw from the NHS managers questioned

Virginia Bottomley, the to get on with the work."

taking action that might damage patients.
"I have to find a way forward to secure NHS dental

The British Dental Association described her remarks as "patronising" and issued a warning about the costs of

Only a handful of salaried dentists are working in parts of the country where there is a shortage of NHS general dental practitioners, who are self-employed. Salaried den-tists are paid £20,000 to

chairman of Virgin Atlantic Airways, bought a 48-year-old DC-3 yesterday to form the basis of a new airline in which nostalgia, rather than high-tech efficiency, should produce profit for his expanding aviation business. The DC-3, which started life as a US military Dakota and took part in the Normandy landings, will oper-ite from Orlando in Florida lying Virgin holiday-makers on sight-seeing trips and tanying scheduled passen-

> assengers will be issued ith hand-held fans to keep em cool in the unpressrised cabin as the crew essed in wartime goggles ind flying jackets — fly the wirengined veteran over

ers to and from Key

As soon as I was approached with the idea i relised it was a potential signer," said Mr Branson, the is concentrating most of



Return to glory: the logo of Richard Branson's Vintage Airways, and a Dakota in service

Apart from pure nostalgia, the hard-headed business logic of using the DC-3 appealed to the multi-millionaire. It is far cheaper to buy

tween Orlando and Key West undercuts existing operators by half.

could stop the disease spread-

ing, the body's natural de-

fences might be able to deal

with the primary tumour. In

animals treated with the

drug, the primary tumours

had become "strangled by connective tissue", he said.

Dr Anthony Howell, who is

leading the research, said the results would not be complete for at least 18 months. The

drug is not generally available and even if its early

promise is confirmed, it is

likely to be four or five years

"It would be wonderful if it

stopped the disease." he said.
"But it is more likely to be used in combination with other existing treatments."

Margaret Tyson, 46, who

has breast cancer, is one of

the first patients to try the

new drug. The disease has

now spread to her spine.

before it is on the market

"Although we shall offer flights in the DC-3 to our customers on Virgin Holi-days we realise that it has a tremendous romance for Americans and all our research shows that we should have little difficulty in persuading passengers to book

with us." The new airline is to be called Vintage Airlines with a similar logo to that of

chase should the venture prove a success. A total of 10,655 DC-3s and Dakotas were built of which 1,000 are still flying or ready to be restored. The first DC-3 was built by

America. By the beginning of the war some 800 had been built and 75 per cent of all internal flights were made on the aircraft, which quickly became a favourite with crew and passengers. Production ceased in the late 1940s. The aircraft bought by Mr

Douglas in 1935 and revolutionised air travel in

Branson started life as a military Dakota and was in service with the 44th air group until 1955. After several in-dividuals had owned the plane it was bought by a Canadian group to supply the oil pipelines of Alaska and Northern Canada.

In 1980 its undercarriage collapsed and for several years it remained on the runway at Spokane in Washing-ton state until it was completely rebuilt as a DC-3C in 1989 and regained its full flying certificates. Now Mr Branson has

ordered its entire interior to be rebuilt again with wood panelling and luxurious, but old fashioned, seats for 20

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Branson ventures into an age of flying romance

his efforts on developing his Boeing 747 network and planning his next moves against British Airways.

'My mother used to be an air hostess with British South American Airways and used to have to wear an oxygen mask when she flew over the Andes. Like many people of that generation she has fond memories of the old DC-3 and I am sure we shall have no problem \$198 (£110) return fare beeither in finding volunteers to act as crew or passengers who want to return to the elegant old ways of

and to operate than a modern jet and the planned

Virgin Atlantic and several more DC-3s have been earmarked for possible pur-

Both sides in road battle fly environmental flag

LAST month's suggestion by John MacGregor, the transport secretary, that new roads can benefit the environment will be put to the test this week.

County councillors in Norfolk meet on Thursday to decide whether the village of Letheringsett, near Holt, should have a long-awaited bypass. Both those who support the proposed road and those who oppose it maintain that their position is the environmentally correct one.

The villagers say that the constant heavy traffic is making their lives a misery and is damaging the 27 listed buildings that border the village's narrow, winding main street. The buildings include the church, an 18th century rectory, a brewery and maltings, a working watermill and an early nineteenth century bridge. According to Margaret Bird, a local historian, a bypass would protect them from further damage.

The argument against the road is that it would destroy the Glaven valley, designated an area of outstanding natural beauty. The valley has meadows that have never been treated with chemical pesticides and is a haven

Opponents and supporters of a planned village bypass stake equal claims to the moral high ground. John Young reports

for threatened wildlife, including barn owls, otters, butterflies and plants such as ragged robin and marsh orchids. The villagers say that protests against the road have been orchestrated by a small group of self-styled "greens", who have bought holiday cottages in the nearby village of Sharrington and whose main purpose is

to protect their own privacy.
There is no doubt that
Letheringsett is afflicted by
traffic. It lies on the busy
A148, which runs between
King's Lynn and Cromer
and has a year-round flow of



Roadside plea: sign of the villagers' anger

lorries augmented in the summer months by coaches and caravans. An average of 9,000 vehicles a day pass through in winter, rising to about 11,000 at the height

of the holiday season.

Carola Chapman, a former county councillor who lives on the edge of the village, said that until recently she and her neighbours believed that the bypass was certain to be built, and that the only argument was about which of five possible routes would be chosen. That was implied in a council consultation document, published in December 1990, which

stated: "By removing a considerable amount of traffic ... a bypass would significantly improve the quality of life for residents."

But in October last year the council announced that it had abandoned all five routes, and would instead look at ways of improving the main road through the village. That was in spite of having declared earlier that widening the road would not be feasible because of the

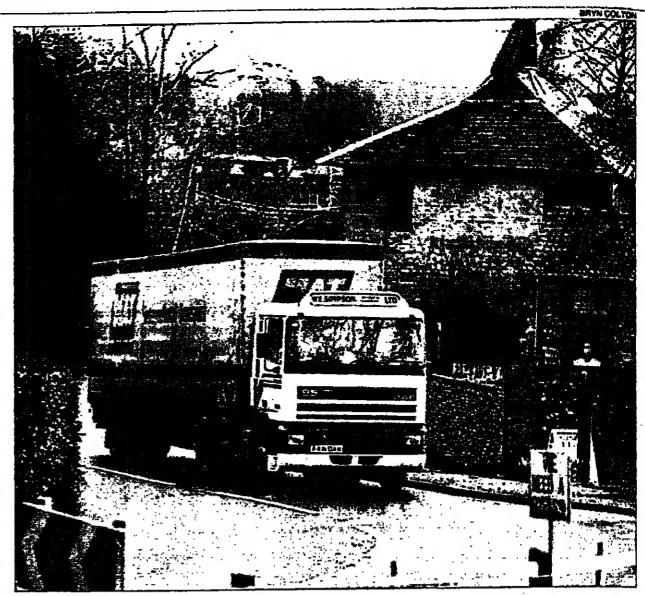
proximity of buildings.

Jonathan Peel, the planning committee chairman, said that the need for a bypass was not so pressing as to outweigh the environmental and landscape objections. "The case for building one in the face of all these difficulties has to be overwhelming. We don't think it is." he said.

Mr Peel is supported by the the Council for the Protection of Rural England, English Nature and the Norfolk Naturalists' Trust.

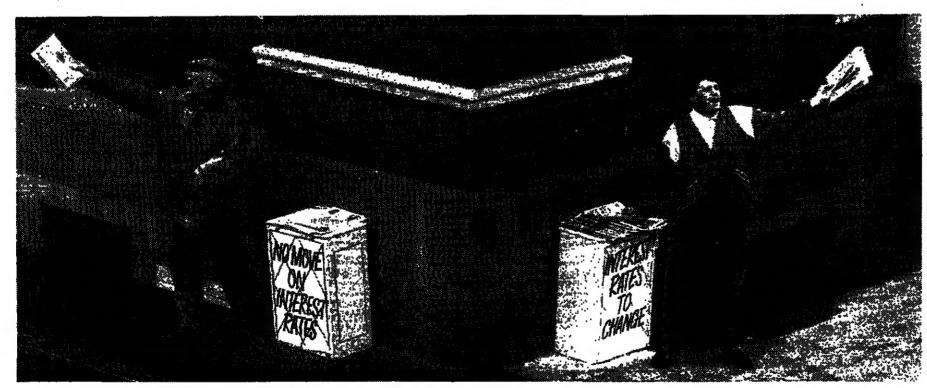
The villagers fear that if the present road cannot be upgraded the council will choose the so-called "brown" route, which passes to the north of the village through scenery that is even more attractive than that affected by the "green" route to which the CPRE objects.

They are supported by Ralph Howell. MP for Norfolk North, who has promised to discuss with ministers "the extraordinary way in which this matter has been handled". They hope that Mr MacGregor, a Norfolk man, may be persuaded to intervene.



Driving force: one of the many lorries that people in Letheringsett say are damaging listed buildings

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Retirement at 70 is nearer for judges

By Frances Gibb Legal Correspondent

THE first steps towards a younger judiciary will be taken today when government proposals to lower the retirement age for judges to 70 come before the House of Lords.

Lords.

At present the retirement age is 72 for circuit judges and 75 for High Court judges, but they can apply to continue working for an extra three years. The proposals in the judicial pensions and retirement bill, which is due to be read a second time today, would probably be phased in gradually. The bill would not affect the retirement ages of judges already in office, more than half of which are older than 70.

The bill also reforms the

The bill also reforms the present arrangements for judicial pensions, creating a single pension scheme for all judges thoughout the United Kingdom. At present there are several schemes for different judges, some based on 15 years of service and some on

20 years or more.

Judges are treated in different ways for pension purposes with no rational basis. The rules on aggregating judicial service can work against judicial promotions. For instance, when a judge is promoted from the circuit bench to the High Court, the first pension is frozen and the judge begins again on a new scheme.

scheme.

The new single pension scheme would apply to new judges, those already in schemes who want to join the new scheme, and those promoted to another judicial office covered by a different

scheme.

Under the proposals the full pension, payable after 20 years of service, would be half the salary paid to the judge in whichever period of 12 months during the previous three years provided the greatest income.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Kenyans deny Ward murder

Two Kenyan rangers accused of kidnapping and murdering Julie Ward, a British tourist, made brief statements in court yesterday claiming they were totally innocent, her father said. The statements, read out in Swahili, constituted the only defence evidence produced at the High Court in Nairobi.

John Ward, from Bury St

John Ward, from Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, who led the search for his daughter's killers after her death more than three years ago, has attended nearly every hearing of the four-month trial. He said that the statements by Jonah Tajeu Magiroi. 28, and Peter Metul Kipeen, 26, were the only time they had spoken during the trial.

The defence completed is evidence yesterday. The lawyers will make their clusing speeches before the judge, helped by three lay assessors, considers his verdict.

Bustards back

The only great bustard eggs in Britain have been laid at Whipsnade wild animal park in Bedfordshire. A breeding programme for the birds, which became extinct in the wild in England in 1832, is to be started at Whipsnade and bustards are being sent from Russia to join the programme.

Yachtsman dies

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Richard Marino, 50. of Fareham, Hampshire, who was badly burnt when his steam-powered yacht was destroyed by an explosion, died in hospital in Salisbury.

Shell shock

Ian Barker turned over a compost heap in his garden in Nottingham and unowered two unexploded first world war shells.

Woman raped

A 19-year-old woman was raped by two men on a canal towpath in Milton Keynes

Children's charter launched by Scots

By Kerry Gill

WHAT was claimed as the first children's rights charter in Europe, compiled after more than two years of consultations with young people and children's organisations, was launched in Ediabusch protected.

Edinburgh yesterday,
Lothian has also appointed Britain's first children's ombudsman, who will act as an independent adjudicator in any dispute involving children although his findings will have no legal force.
Copies of the charter, a declaration of the rights

declaration of the rights and responsibilities of children from birth to 16, are 10 be distributed throughout schools, libraries, health centres and social work departments in Lothian region. The charter was launched by the regional council and based on the UN convention on the rights of the child, which

was adopted by the UN general assembly in 1989.

The region's 95,000 children will each receive a copy of the charter in the next two days. It has been drawn up by the region's education and social work departments and Lothian

Health Board.

Elizabeth Maginnis. chairman of the education committee, said that organisations involved had agreed to adopt a voluntary code of practice based on a child's right to receive stipulated levels of service, to be listened to and have complaints taken seriously.

Mrs Maginnis said: The whole purpose of the charter is about empowering young people to understand their own rights and responsibilities in society and making adults take the young person seriously."



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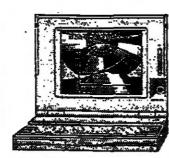
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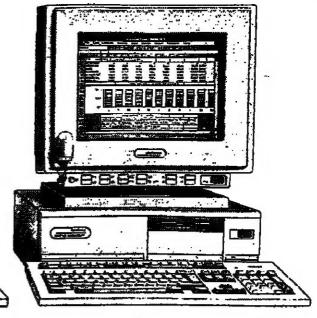
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Claims by a former employee raise possibility that ministers knew about dead tycoon's crooked career

Spy centre *'monitored* Maxwell money deals'

The alleged Maxwell connection has brought the mysterious GCHQ into the public gaze, reports Michael Evans

THE investigation into Robert Maxwell's fraudulent commercial career has entered a new phase with alle-gations that GCHQ,

the government's com-munications headquarters in Cheltenham, had been mon-itoring the dead tycoon's shady money transfers.

The claim raises the ques-tion: did ministers know what Maxwell was up to? The prime source of the allegations is Robin Robison, who for a brief period worked as an administrative officer on the Cabinet Office's joint intelligence com-mittee (JIC). Whitehall's top intelligence co-ordinating organisation. He says he saw signals intelligence material on Maxwell.

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If Maxwell was targeted by GCHQ, there could have been a number of client departments interested, including the Treasury, the Department of Trade and Industry, and possibly MI6, monitoring Maxwell's personal relationships with the Soviet and East European leaders.

It is most unlikely, however, that Maxwell's name would have been passed to ministers through the different intelligence layers, unless there was a specific need for them to know. There was no national security connection.

Signals or electronic intelligence is big business. Brit-ain employs at least 15,000 men and women in the different intelligence branches, of which about 11,000 work for GCHQ. 7,000 in Gloucestershire. GCHQ eavesdropping stations are also dotted around the

Little is known about GCHQ. Although the public has become acquainted with the achievements of the wartime codebreakers at Bletchley Park. Buckinghamshire, the precursor to GCHQ, the peacetime role of the government's eavesdropping centre has become a focus of attention on only a few occasions in recent years.

The discovery of a high level KGB agent. Geoffrey Prime, among the senior lin-guists at GCHQ and his

subsequent conviction for spying at the Old Bailey in November 1982 raised fears of lax security at the Cheltenham base. The decision several years later by the government to ban trade unions at GCHQ put the eavesdropping station into the public domain once again. Allegations were made in the Iraqi supergun affair that the intelligence services had prior notice of Baghdad's secret plan. Yet the mysteries of GCHQ

Today, the eavesdropping centre which intercepts radio and communications traffic is the most expensive and most productive of Britain's three intelligence agencies.

However, the priorities of GCHQ have changed. Instead of focusing almost ex-clusively on diplomatic and military traffic, there is more interest in economic and commercial intelligence, now that the threat to Britain's national security is less pronounced. Codebreaking of encrypted diplomatic traf-fic is also much more difficult because of the rapid advance

of codemaking technology. So, where once an analyst at GCHQ might have dealt with a pile of messages between an embassy and its foreign ministry, much of the traffic analysed today concerns intra-national business transactions and corporate

An indication of the change in thinking was given with the publication of the Interception of Communica-tions Act 1985, when MPs were surprised to discover that the Department of Trade and Industry was authorised to issue warrants for phone tapping.
GCHQ which grew out of

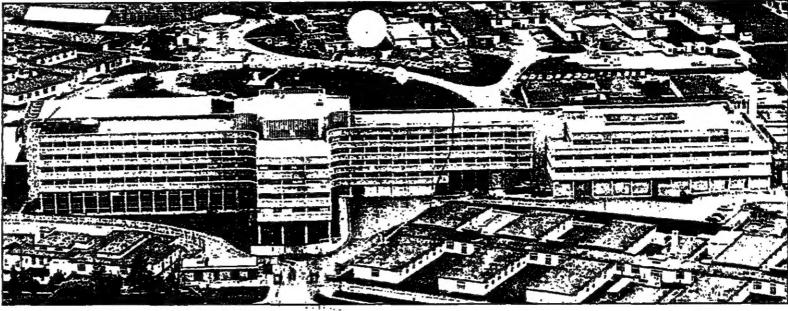
the Government Code and Cypher School at Bletchley Park and which moved to Cheltenham in 1952, comes under the aegis of the foreign office, providing a substantial proportion of Britain's total foreign intelligence from intercepted radio and communications traffic.

The centre is also responsible for the security of British civil and military communi-





The watcher and the watched: Robison, left, who says he saw material on Maxwell, right, and below, the GCHQ centre at Cheltenham



cations. GCHQ is split into two large centres, the better known one situated outside the Gloucestershire town and consisting of a long fivestorey cement building surlarge dish-shaped antennae at the rear of the buildings.

The other main centre is several miles away, on the other side of the town. It is a large redbrick building with another three-storey premises behind which houses many of the computers.

The largest of the directorates at GCHQ is signals intelligence operations and requirements, which receives "target requests" from the various "clients" which include MI5, MI6, the Ministry of Defence, the foreign office, the DTI and the

According to James Bamford, author of The Puzzle Palace which uncovered the secrets of GCHQ and the American equivalent, the National Security Agency. when it was published in 1982, this directorate is responsible for passing on the finished product to the

GCHQ does not have the

staff to cope with the transcribing, decoding, analystelephone and cable traffic, so they have to be selective in their targeting. Even the most advanced computers could not cope with the millions of phone calls, cables and telexes each day, although voice recognition systems are being developed.

Once a section of signals traffic is designated, say, between certain companies or between named individuals or between two capitals, material intercepted by GCHQ's network of listening antennae throughout Britain and abroad is taken on tape and fed through computers which recognise key words and names.

The computers, based on linked IBM mainframes and a Cray supercomputer, decrypt communications where necessary. Linguists and analysts turn them into intelligence reports. Churchill used to insist on seeing raw intelli-gence material during the war when the codebreakers at Bletchley had broken the German Enigma cypher machines and produced their ROBIN Robison, the man Soon after leaving White-flow of "Ultra" intelligence at the centre of the latest hall, he began to work for

The prime minister and members of the cabinet defence committee receive a "red book" of sanitised intelligence. This material will have gone through several lavers of analysis and weeding, ultimately by the Cabinet Office's own current intelligence groups (CIGs) and the JIC, the final arbiter of intelligence.

never see raw intelligence.

Britain's peacetime involvement in signals intelligence goes back to 1947 when the UK-USA agreement was signed, bringing under the same intelligence umbrella the United States, Britain, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

Maxwell monitored, page 1

Secrets work clashed with Quaker views

Today, however, ministers allegations in the Maxwell affair, left his job with the Cabinet Office's joint intelligence committee at the end of 1989 on a point of conscience. As a Quaker, he felt his work was against his religious principles (Michael Evans writes).

Mr Robison, a 28-yearold graduate, joined the civil service in 1985 and was transferred to the committee. Whitehall's top intelligence co-ordinating secretariat, in 1988. Although only an administrative officer, the sensitivity of

his work required a high security grading. He would have processed classified material but in a clerical capacity, not as an analyst. Even so, he had to be positively vetted by the security authorities before

being approved for the job.

hall, he began to work for the Society of Friends, the Quaker body based at Friends House in Euston Road, London. Because of his experience in government, a special unit called the Quaker Committee for Truth and Integrity in Public Affairs was set up and

son was asked to be its secretary. Last year, he expressed surprise that he had been recruited to the joint intelligence committee. He said he told the authorities of his pacifist views. His Quaker committee has dropped for the time being a plan to prepare a private member's bill to make the security and

intelligence services more accountable. Mr Robison, who lives in Brighton, was unavailable for comment yesterday.

Victims want judicial enquiry

BY JILL SHERMAN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

MAXWELL pensioners yes-terday called for a judicial enquiry into how Whitehall departments and financial institutions failed to stop their pension being plundered.

They are also pressing the social security department to spell out whether new pensioners would benefit from the £2.5 million rescue scheme announced by Peter Lilley, social security secre-

Ken Trench, chairman of the pensioners' action group, said that an increas-ing number of allegations were now surfacing which would point the finger at the government and the Bank of England for failing to act.
"We want an independent

judicial enquiry to pin down the failings in the system. And if the fault is shown to lie with government the government should accept full responsibility for supporting the pensioners who have lost out."

Pensioners wanted the government to take over responsibility for failed Maxwell pension schemes and guarantee pension pay-ments until stolen assets were recovered.

Mr Trench said it was unclear whether new pensioners would benefit from the rescue scheme and it was still doubtful whether the missing millions would be found.

A social security spokesman said the DSS could not guarantee that new pensioners would have access to the £2.3 million "lifeline"

"The purpose is to enable them to continue to meet their obligations until the courts decide on the owner ship of disputed former pension fund assets," said the spokesman, "Whether they make payments to new as well as to existing pension ers is up to them. It is not a matter for the DSS."

The latest allegations about the intelligence services looking into Maxwell's affairs was another argument for an independent en-quiry, said Mr Trench.

Several government departments are looking at various aspects of the Maywell affair, but nothing is going to appear for months," he said."The pensioners appear to have been let down by every relevant government department. Now the Treasury and the Bank of England and the Cabinet Office appear to be implicated as well."

Alf Morris. Labour MP for Manchester Wythenshawe, said the reports of intelligence involvement would strengthen the case for an investigation by the Om-budsman. Pensioners groups are now considering putting in a formal complaint to the ombudsman alleging maladministration by the government.

Mr Morris, who has been campaigning on behalf of the pensioners, argues that if the government knew about Mr Maxwell's business dealings two years ago. the pension funds could have been protected then.

Top role beckons old theatre site

By Simon Tart, arts correspondent

THE site of the Rose Theatre, where Shakespeare acted 400 years ago and where three years ago Dame Peggy Ashcroft stood arm-in-arm with James Fox, lan McKellen and other actors to prevent bulldozers destroying the remains, could be the seat of David Mellor's new heritage ministry.

Simon Hughes, the Liberal Democrat MP for Southwark and Bermondsey, who led the campaign to save the Rose, asked Mr Mellor in a parliamentary question yesterday if he had considered moving into the empty block which now straddles the preserved

There could be no better place in terms of greatness," the MP said. The secretary of state replied that he was prepared to look at any available

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property in Mr Hughes's be the final rent". For a min-Rose Court was built over the old playhouse, parts of the stage of which survived in the boggy Bankside soil, after a hard-fought agreement to sheath and build over it on stilts on the understanding that it would be unearthed again when money was available. It cost the developer. Imry Merchant, an extra £10 million to do so and a delay which brought completion of the 11-storey block, at a cost of about £40 million, into the

property slump. Since then it

has remained empty.

Martin Myers, chief executive of the company, now called Imry Holdings, said: "When one thinks of all the people who were screaming at us at the time, and all the trouble we went to to save the theatre, I think we could do with a little help now." Rose Court was, for instance, a better proposition than Canary Wharf, he said.

The 157,000 so ft of offices are for rent at £25 a square metre, an annual rent of £3:925 million. "But that's the up-front price," Mr Myers said. As the company They would be pleased to purchase your jewellery at 65 New Bond Street, London ant, if that tenant was the art, if that tenant was the company that was "unlikely to ministry that was "unlikely toistry that rent could be halved. The property, "conveniently located" with a view of the Thames, has the Tower of London and the City to the right and St Paul's cathedral and Westminster to the left, Mr Myers said.

What Mr Hughes and his Rose Theatre Trust are hoping for is an acceleration of the public presentation of the Rose itself. A month ago he wrote to the prime minister asking for £75,000 to pay for research into the conservation, further excavation and display of the theatre, and perhaps a hint that there might be more help with the



Hughes: call to move heritage ministry

£3 million it is likely to cost to build a museum around it. He has had no reply.

The Department of National Heritage is squatting in the Cabinet Office, with staff overflowing into temporary accommodation Haymarket. Its most likely permanent home was thought to be the energy de-partment's fairly new buildng in Palace Street, but Mr Mellor has said that there are several possibilities under

consideration.

Mr Mellor's staff of 350 could comfortably take up half of Rose Court, Mr Myers believes. The rest could be the next headquarters for English Heritage if the new chairman. Jocelyn Stevens, and his fellow commissioners decide to move from their expensive apartments in Savile Row. creating a heritage enclave on Southwark's Thames embankment

Rose Court is almost exactly opposite another building nportant to Britain's cultural heritage whose use has been a matter of heated debate. Somerset House now has the Courtauld Institute in its north block, built by William Chambers, but the rest, built by Smirke, is occupied by the Inland Revenue.

Man held over stolen yachts

BY RAY CLANCY

A FRENCHMAN suspected of joyriding across the Channel in luxury yachts has been detained in Essex. He is being questioned in Cornwall today. Thierry Joubat. 21. of Kerninon in Brittany, was

detained by Romford police after a break in at a sports centre. Detectives on both sides of the Channel have been investigating several yacht thefts. Three have been stolen from the French coast and found abandoned in the Helford River. Cornwall. Others, stolen from moorings on the south coast, were also abandoned and one was wrecked off the Spanish coast.

Devon and Cornwall police will ask Mr Joubat about the disappearance of Noah's Jest, a £100,000 craft stolen from St Just-in-Roseland near Falmouth and found abandoned in Lulworth Cove. Dorset. He will also be questioned about stolen marine equipment.

Hampshire police also want to question him.

THE Arts Foundation. launched a year ago to create "a new image for the arts" but received with a chorus of dis approval by the arts world. has been relaunched with a new director, new offices and

a more pragmatic policy of supporting innovative art. Russell Willis Taylor took up her post two weeks ago and moved into two rooms in Bucklersbury, near the Bank of England, last week to administer the foundation set up with a £1.1 million bequest

to the Arts Council. She has a staff of one and the offices are a gift from the owner. She apologised for not having a photocopier, "but next week we're getting a monk with a quill pen to

Lord Palumbo, chairman of the Arts Council, announced the new foundation at a lavish Docklands party last May and introduced the first director, Stephen Bayley. It was assailed immediately with criticism that its aims were too confused, the foundation remote, that the Arts Council's own efforts on behalf of experimental art were being slighted.

The foundation had been run from offices in Mr me." Mrs Taylor said. One

reputation with new start The heavily criticised Arts Foundation has a

Arts body tries to salvage

new director and a fresh approach. Simon Tait reports Bayley's consultancy and

when he resigned in December it became not only leaderless but homeless; some said it had always been rudderless. Mrs Taylor said her first priority was to establish a

firm policy. "I think the foundation's purpose was misstated then," she said. "We have the luxury of making choices, but there is a big difference between that and doing whatever we want. which was the message then. You have to be seen to be sensible about giving away

Originally, there was be no need to apply because the foundation would find the worthy recipients. That goes from the new policy. "We want anybody who has something to offer to apply, and if we have to say 'no' I believe it is our job to tell the applicants why and help them in that way. I want them to telephone

original aim had been to raise £20 million from private patronage, another to revive the salon des refuss idea of an exhibition for work rejected by established institutions. The launch brochure expressed the wish to establish facilities such as a recording studio, a new gallery "to break the cartel of the art trade", a television programme about patronage. and even a record label.

Very little has been raised. and the simple aim on the minimalist sheet the new director is formulating - for distributon to arts organisations, community centres. public libraries - is to help artistic experiment with money, advice or introduction. "A lot of things have hap

pened since the foundation was set up. There will now be a lottery, and the Foundation for Sport and the Arts has come into its own, so that major capital projects are the not the greatest need for us.

"There is continuing concern about money for innovetion. In the 1980s money was moved away from risk-taking art and towards honing business skills. We have to help to change that," Mrs Taylor

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Consumers likely to see bills rising as drought forces watchdog to issue ultimatum

Water firms threatened with ban on river supplies

WATER companies will be banned from taking water from drought-hit rivers and boreholes unless they agree to take less water, repair old pipelines to reduce waste, and install domestic meters in areas "under stress", the National Rivers Authority said yesterday. The move could lead to higher prices for

The regulatory authority gave Thames Water, which serves seven million customers in and around London. until September 1 to accept a limit of 14 million gallons a day on the amount of water taken from the catchment of the Darent in Kent. This is 70 per cent less than Thames Water is entitled to take under its current licence. The Darent catchment includes the Dartford and Sevenoaks

Lord Crickhowell, NRA chairman, said that this limit would hold water usage in the Darent valley at its present level because Thames had not made full use of its licence. The company had also been given until March 31 of next year to agree to reduce abstraction to 10.7 million gallons a day by the end of 1995. "We have said to Thames Water: if you will not do it voluntarily, we will do it unilaterally." he said. The River Darent is one of

the worst cases we have got and It is substantially caused by over-abstraction and not just the drought. We think probably it will be necessary over a period to halve present abstractions from the

About 40 rivers in England are affected by over-abstrac-tion, according to the NRA. "We are not prepared to wait a minute longer than is absolutely necessary to restore these long-suffering rivers to their former healthy flows." Lord Crickhowell said. "A great deal of work has already been done with the water

Drastic action is being taken to restore exploited rivers to their former healthy flows, Michael Hornsby reports

companies to tackle this problem. but what I want to see now are firm target dates set is required for each of the

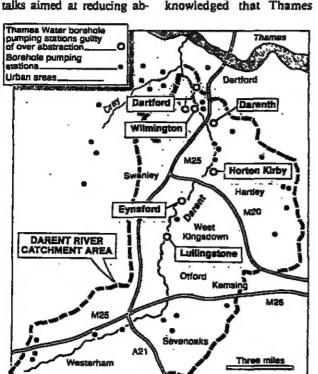
The Darent, which rises near Westerham and flows into the Thames west of Dartford, is one of the NRA's 20 top priority rivers for remedial action. Thames Water takes all its water in the Darent catchment from boreholes that tap into waterbearing underground rock strata known as aquifers.

Other rivers on the critical list include the Piddle in Dorset and the Wallop Brook in Crickhowell said progress had been made with Wessex Water and Southern Water in

stractions from both these

In future, Lord Crickhowell said, the NRA would only issue abstraction licences il water companies committed themselves to firm timetables for reducing leakage and introducing domestic metering of water use in "areas under stress". The NRA could not accept the present levels of waste and water unaccounted

The NRA's action will be test its legal powers and the right of water companies to financial compensation for expenditure incurred in finding alternative sources of supply. Lord Crickhowell said he was confident of the NRA's legal position and ability to handle compensation, but ac-knowledged that Thames



environment secretary and that there were would then have to be a public enquiry.

Thames Water said yesterday that it was surprised by the NPA's action because the

the NRA's action because the rate of wastage in the Darent catchment area was only 15 per cent, the lowest in the country. In the Thames Water area as awhole the leakage rate had been reduced over the past three years from 23 per cent to 18 per cent, which compared with a national average of 25 per cent. The company said it had also invested £250 million in building a new "ring main" round London to enable water to be moved from surplus to deficit

The Water Services Association of England and Wales, which represents the water companies, said: "The companies have to have sufficient water resources to meet the needs of their customers. If they have to open new resources to replace existing resources, then prices would

have to rise to pay for them."
The Country Landowners Association said the NRA should have acted sooner. The Council for the Protection of Rural England welcomed the move to protect the Darent but said action was now urgently required to save the other affected rivers.

The top 20 priority rivers, which the NRA started investigating in February last year, are: the Hiz, Hoffer Brook, Slea, and Upper Waveney in the NRA's Anglian area: Dover Beck, Worfe, and Battlefield Brook in Severn Trent area; Misbourne, Ver, Pang. Wey and Letcombe Brook, Thames area: Darent and Wallop Brook, Southern area; Piddle, Allen, and Wey, Wessex area: Wharfe (two locations), Yorkshire region: and the Lowther, North Wes

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Sick river: a family fishing, above, in the Darent in Kent, while two miles away the same river is dry, below



Islands look seawards to keep thirst at bay

THE Isles of Scilly are turning to desert technol-ogy to defeat the drought.

Faced with a dwindlin supply of natural water and an annual influx of thirsty tourists that can treble the population of 1,500, the local council has given the goahead for a desalination plant, which will turn seawater into drinking water. It should be installed in about seven weeks. The Council of the Isles of

Scilly had examined building a pipeline from other islands or bringing in water by boat. Given the continuing water shortage in the South of England the council has plumped for a technology familiar in the world's arid regions but rare in temperate climes. Brian Lowen, the council's

chief technical officer, said: "We have had four dry winters and the summers have also been, in the main, dry Without the plant we could have run out in August."

The £200,000 plant, supplied by Weir Westgarth of Glasgow which provided similar systems to troops during the Gulf war, is to be built at Mount Todden on St Mary's. About 150,000 gallons of seawater will be used to supply 50,000 gallons of drinking water daily, about a third of peak summertime needs. The plant uses a method known as reverse osmosis in

Scillonians hope that a £200,000 desalination plant will be their

Nick Nuttall high pressure through special membranes.

salvation, reports

Although the project is funded partially by a European Community grant and is expected to be partly run by electricity from a wind turbine, the scheme is likely to increase local water bills by about a half, Mr Lowen said. He calculated the cost of the water at £8.30 per 1,000 gallons or £1.82 per cubic metre (220 gallons) which compares with conventional tap water at 30p per cubic

Because of the cost, the water industry on the mainland is, at least publicly, reluctant to solve the South's drought in the same way.

Desalination is an energy intensive process which, in the Middle East, can be justified by the relatively low fuel the industry says. In Britain, the industry's preferred routes include reducing leakages and building more southern reservoirs.

Paul Garrett, of the Water Services Association, desa lot of land" for which it would be hard to secure planning permission. But makers of plant say that the costs of desalination have been un-

fairly represented. They estimate that drinking water from a big plant, possibly linked to an existing or planned coastal power station and capable of produc-ing five million gallons a day. could cost 50p to 55p a cubic

Environmental concerns are also starting to be registered over the vast tracts of land that could disappear under proposed reservoirs. such as the 375-hectare Broad Oak scheme, north of Canterbury, being considered by Mid Kent, Southern and Folkestone and District water companies. Some people say that, if the present low rainfall levels continue in the South, reservoirs could anyway prove to be white

At least one water engineer believes that desalination may be eventually needed on the mainland. Graham Cross, engineering manager at Folkestone and District, said yesterday: "We are considering desalination as a future option. It is being recognised by the industry as a suitable source, the only doubt is when. The big question is economics but

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ition slightly in the world Chess Olympics in Manila when Nigel Short won a difficult sixth round game against Portisch of Hungary Raymond Krene writes). That gave England a win against Hungary by 212 points to 1 12.

In round seven England drew 2-2 with Armenia. The Russian team crushed the United States team by 312 points to a half. In that game, the world champion. Gary Kasparov, soundly defeated Gata Kamsky, formerly of the Soviet Union and now America's leading

Russia has 22 is points out of 28: Holland is on 19: Uzbekistan, Georgia and the Ukraine 1812, England shares sixth place on 18.

Tebbit surgery Lord Tebbit, 60, went into hospital yesterday for sur gery in connection with injuries sustained in the 1984 Brighton hotel bombing, his office said. He had suffered

severe pain while campaign

ing in the general election.

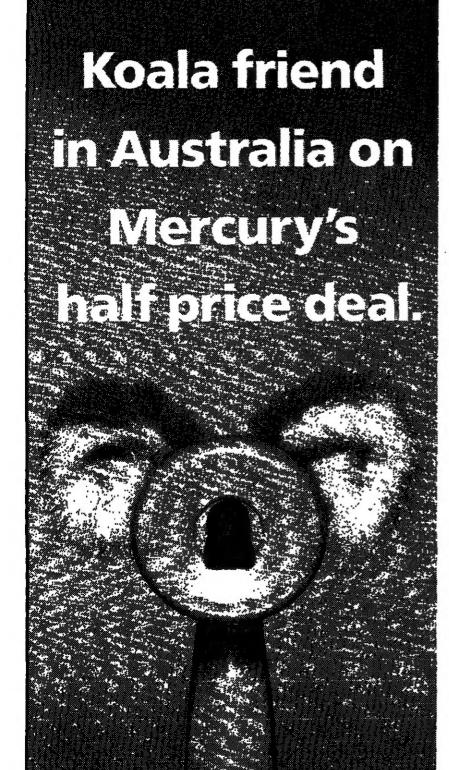
The hospital's name in being withheld for security reasons. Lord Tebbit, who is due to have an operation today, said that he was undergoing "necessary bodywork".

Schools rise

lewish schools in the former Soviet Union has been recorded by the London-based Institute of Jewish Affairs. The Jewish research body said that 100 day schools. Sunday schools and seminaries were serving the esti-mated 1.5 million Jews. lewish education was totally suppressed in the 50 years before Mikhail Gorbachev's accession to power.

Wind farm ban

Wind farms are likely to be hanned from the Peak National Park as being 100 intrusive, under the park's ten-year structure plan. Small-scale turbines may be allowed in low-lying areas if they are nor unsightly. Bigquarry extensions, new roads through the park and new hotels are also ruled out by the plan, which is to go of display as part of a public consultation exercise



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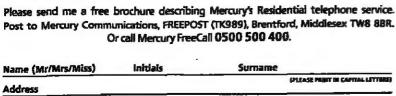
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ALMOST 500 white collar workers and senior officials were surprised at the weekend to discover that they had been paid double their monthly salaries by the cashstarved Western Isles

The same council managed to lose £24 million last summer in the collapse of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International. This time the council, to the delight of 460 employees. managed to accidently pay a total of about £500.000 into their bank accounts.

Robert Bennie, the new finance director, who took up his post last month. was reluctant yesterday to discuss the amount over-paid. but admitted: "Half a million pounds is about right." The blunder, he said, was not narticularly important given that he was busy monitoring developments in the fight by the council and other creditors to recover money lost in the BCCI collapse.

The error was blamed on a gremlin in the council's new computerised financial system, which, according to Mr Bennie. "sometimes still does things we are not quite expecting". He said that a "particular point" had been missed when the system was established. On Friday, the system decided to instruct the Royal Bank of Scotland to over-pay a quarter of the council's employees. Mr Bennie said he was confident that most of the cash would

be recovered from staff. The islanders could be for given for a certain lack of confidence in Comhairle nan Eilean, the Gaelic name of the council. This latest hiccup follows the 15 per cent pay award to Dr George Macleod, the council's chief executive, who is on final warning of dismissal for his part in the BCC1 loss. Dr Macleod is to take early retirement.

Already, islanders face having to pay an annual £2.7 million for the next 30 years to service the loan taken out to cover the BCCI loss, a massive burden considering that the average income in the Western Isles is lower than anywhere else in the United Kingdom.

Many have also protested about poll tax blunders in which the council keeps chasing people who have already paid. A man from Lewis, who has paid all his tax. has had one reminder and a final warning followed by a summary warrant. After being sent three apologies he has received another final

Kinnock: realistic about

Resilient Kinnock rises above the despair of election defeat

Neil Kinnock was ready for what happened to him on April 9 this year. He was probably less prepared for the confusion yesterday over his possible appointment as president of the Confederation of European Socialist Parties. Mr Kinnock has never hidden from himself the possibility that one day he might have to activate a fresh political career. and for some time it looked as if yesterday might mark the start.

In private in recent years Mr Kinnock was realistic about the enormity of the task facing him. In that final week of the campaign, when the polls suggested otherwise, Mr Kinnock sensed that he was not quite going to make it and confided as much to those closest to him. He felt in his bones that the national mood for change that he would require to overturn such a large Conservative majority was not quite there. He had also decid-

In the last months of his leadership, the Labour leader is trying to carve out a new political career, Philip Webster writes

time he would relinquish the leadership. Again, those in his closest circle knew that.

When Mr Kinnock told his Islwyn party in the early hours of April 10 that he dedicated himself to the service of his constituents "and in any capacity whatsoever to the people of my country", it was the speech of a man who knew already what he had to do.

Perhaps because he was mentally prepared for disappointment Mr Kinnock has not sunk into the black despair that has afflicted many in his party. All who know him well testify to his emotional

ed years ago that if he lost a second election, when most senior Labour people appeared bereaved, Mr Kinnock was forever trying to cheer up his friends and colleagues. For some time they thought it was an act: now they doubt whether it was.

> One of his longest-serving aides, amazed at his bearing after the election, asked him: "Are you really all right?" He replied that it was "disappointment, not a death". Perhaps Mr Kinnock was remembering 1983 when, Brahms playing on the stereo, his car overturned on the M4. According to a friend the doctor who examined him afterwards found no trace of post-traumatic stress.

The speed at which he announced his decision to go surprised some; but to him there was little point in allowing speculation to build when his mind was already made up.

He had hoped to go this month but was overruled by his party. Now July 18, when he officially hands over the reins, almost certainly to John Smith, cannot come soon enough. The undisciplined behaviour of his party since the election has probably enhanced that sentiment.

In all the private meetings of the national executive and the Parliamentary Labour Party that he has attended since the election Mr Kinnock's demeanour, according to insiders, has been that of a man who wants to get out of the hot seat as quickly as possible, "He has been even rougher than usual with the awkward squad, contemptuous of point-scoring by people trying to disown policies to which they agreed, and very impatient with people crawling over the election campaign at every opportunity."

Mr Kinnock has urged the party to hold a formal inquest at the appropriate time and not to take a piecemeal approach. The inquest comes on Thursday, and he is planning a big contribution.

After more than eight years in what is probably the hardest job in politics, there is inevitably an element of liberation in Mr Kinnock's chirpy mood of late. His interest in many things outside politics, nost notably his family. the theatre and the cinema, has helped to ease the burden.

Te combined his announce-Inment of his decision to quit with the surprise news that he would continue to stand for the national executive committee. He wants to remain involved in pushing forward the internal democratic reforms that began under his leadership and has decided that he can best do that by getting elected to the constituency section of the NEC. One of the last acts of his leadership has been to insist on pressing ahead with changes to end the role of the unions in the selection and reselection of Labour MPs, despite the opposition of senior union leaders.

The last two months have not been easy for Mr Kinnock and the next will not be any better. He has tried to take a "business as usual" approach to his remaining weeks in office. But he has ruled the party with an iron hand; now, unavoidably because he is on his way out, his authority is diminished and there are plenty of people who want to remind him of

German offer fails to end hostility over 48-hour week

By Tom Walker in Brussels and Nicholas Wood said that Britain could not

accept a "time lapse" clause for full introduction of the

directive. One Whitehall aide

said that in the light of the Danish referendum rejecting

BRITAIN yesterday hardened its opposition to European Community proposals for a 48-hour working week in spite of an olive branch from Germany.

German diplomats in Brus-sels disclosed that they are prepared to give Britain a voluntary limit on hours for the next ten years, only then making it compulsory. This proposal goes some way to meeting the suggestion put forward by Gillian Shephard, the employment secretary, who has said that Britain might be able to accept the working time directive if employees are free to work long-

er than 48 hours if they wish. However, senior employment department officials yesterday played down speculation that a breakthrough might be imminent. They

the Maastricht treaty, the climate in London had changed. The working time directive was seen as symbolic of the kind of European centralism that the government was determined to resist. Ministers appear concerned that a surrender could trigger a big backbench revolt.
"The Danish vote has hardened Gillian Shephard's position against the directive," one employment department

source said. Of the ten-year deadline, he added: "If they try to enforce that, ministers won't be able to sign up to it because they will be giving away the principle of a man-datory limit on the working Shephard will resist the idea

It is understood that Mrs of a deadline at the council of ministers meeting on June 24 scheduled to vote on the longrunning dispute between Britain and its EC partners. Employment department sources did accept that the fact that the Germans were talking of an initial voluntary period "might be a step in the right direction".

One German official involved in the working week negotiations was enthusiastic about the possible compromise. He said that once Brit-

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ain became accustomed to the idea of working time re-strictions, it would fall into

line with the rest of the EC. Despite the Danish referendum, Britain still faces isolation at next week's meeting if Mrs Shephard sticks to her guns. Because the 48-hour working week proposals are being considered as health and safety rules, they can be passed by qualified majority

☐ The Irish government yesterday began its final push for a yes vote in the Maastricht referendum on Thursday, with a renewed attack on the attempt by the pro-life lobby to link the treaty with legalising abortion (Edward

Gorman writes).

Albert Reynolds, the prime minister, said abortion issues were quite separate from the economic and political matters which lie at the heart of the treaty. He added that reports from his party's campaign manager indicated an "overwhelmingly positive" reaction to the treaty around the country. He said people were beginning to see mongering tactics and the sort of mischievous stories that are being put about about things that are sup-posed to be in the reasy."

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Smith demands interest rate cut to aid recovery

By NICHOLAS WOOD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Smith renewed his demand for an immediate cut in interest rates yesterday as Labour sought to exploit growing concern about the faltering pace of economic

recovery. The shadow chancellor, addressing the GMB union's annual conference in Blackpool, accused the government of "collective amnesia" about a jobless rate that was now 1 per cent above the European Community average and had Every person out of work cost the state £8,000 and last year the recession claimed a million jobs. The prime minister's election promises of an upturn on the back of a Tory victory had come to nothing.

Mr Smith's comments came amid signs that Tory backbench anxieties over the Maastricht treaty and its plans for economic and monetary union are spilling over into criticism of the European exchange rate mechanism



Wake-up call: John Smith, who accused the government of "collective amnesia" over jobs

Police sift war crimes evidence

By ROBERT MORGAN

POLICE are still sifting the evidence about alleged former Nazi war criminals living in Britain, but no prosecutions have yet been mounted a year after the War Crimes CONSERVATIVE divisions Friends of Bruges are most closely identified with Bill Act came into force. Cash, the Tory MP for Staf-

In the Commons yesterday Sir Nicholas Lyell, the attor-ney-general, said dedicated teams from the Metropolitan Police and the Crown Prosecution Service were examining the evidence and the focus of their investigations had

narrowed. Cyril Townsend (Bexleyheath, C) called on the government to abandon its search. He said it was disgraceful that Britain should follow the example of the former Soviet Union and Israel in such vindictive war crime trials. The cases under invesrigation involved only three elderly people, former citzens of the Baltic states, and it was unlikely that any of them would be alive to be sentenced even if they were found guilty.

Sir Nicholas said any decision on prosecution would be taken in accordance with the same principles as applied to other prosecutions. Greville Janner, Labour MP for Leicester West, said prosecution for war crimes was not stupid, particularly not for those with

he said. been rising for 24 months.

> pean exchange rate mechanism. After all, what is the point of being in the wide 6 per cent band of the ERM if the extra latitude it offers is hardly ever used." Mr Smith's remarks were delivered as the GMB prepared to announce today the outcome of its ballot on the Labour leadership contest in which the shadow chancellor

is being challenged by Bryan Mr Gould, the shadow en-vironment secretary, is on the Euro-sceptic wing of the party and has argued that Labour's support for the ERM undermined its efforts to pin the blame for the recession on the government. He has called for an overhaul of the ERM to

remedy its deflationary

and calls for cheaper

borrowing.

"But still the Conservatives

refuse to act," Mr Smith said.

Despite the continuing high

level of business failures, the

continuing doldrums in the

housing and construction in-

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tives still hold interest rates

too high for too long. It is

time now for a further reduc-

tion in interest rates - a

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be sustained within the Euro-

With the two big parties divided by argument over closer European integration, signs of impatience from the strongly pro-European Mr Smith with the workings of the ERM appear to signal a change of tack. His remarks leave him better placed to refute Mr Gould's thinly veiled criticism that the shadow chancellor is a tacit sup-

porter of a failed government Mr Smith, who appears assured of victory in the leadership election on July 18, said that cutting the present "intolerable levels of unem-ployment" must be a "central objective" of economic policy in the 1990s. He said that Labour's £1.1 billion recovery package, detailed in the election campaign, was a "first step" in restoring full

Dogs' day: the Tory MP Angela Rumbold and her King Charles's spaniel Charlie, launch an ITV "Dogathon" charity event yesterday AROUND THE LOBBY

Football clubs get free hand

David Mellor, the national heritage secretary. ruled out government intervention to prevent higher admission charges being imposed by football clubs in the new Premier League, Tom Pendry, chairman of the all-party football committee, said the charges would prevent many supporters from attending matches. Mr Mellor said it would be left to each club to set prices.

He also told MPs that he would not become involved in the arguments over contracts for live coverage of Premier League matches going to the BSkyB satellite channel.

Private income

Proceeds from privatisation amount to about £41.5 billion and a further £8 billion is expected to be raised this financial year, Stephen Dorrell, financial secretary to the Treasury, said in a written

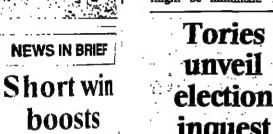
Road costs

Government spending on trunk road schemes in London, excluding land purchase, has risen from £30.4 million in 1982-3 to £123.3 million this financial year, according to Steve Norris, minister for London's transport.

Duty returns

Lord Strathclyde, an environment minister, rejected a call in the Lords to extend the suspension of stamp duty on home purchases below £250,000 beyond August 19.

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Questions: Health: prime minister. Debate of Opposition motion on the water industry. Lords (2.30): Judicial Pensions and Retirement bill, second reading. Debate on intestacy.



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THE Conservative party yesterday blamed a collapse in Liberal Democrat support for John Major's failure to win a bigger majority at the general

In an analysis of the result, party officials attributed their 21-seat majority to winning the arguments over Labour on the economy, taxation, leadership and positive poli-cies for the future.

They said that Labour was hampered by the steady shrinking of its traditional power base. More than half of working class voters aban--doned the party for the third successive election and Labour failed to capture the votes of women and young people. Voters were also turned off by Labour's "phoney" shadow budget, its "farcical" economic recovery package and saw the rest of its policies as a

recipe for decline.
The Tory study comes as Labour's ruling national ex-cutive committee prepares to conduct its own inquest. About 80 post-mortem reports have been made to Labour HQ from different parts of the party. The NEC will focus on the final report from Larry Whitty, the general secretary, pinpointing "fear of Labour" as the key element in the defeat. An NEC report will then be drawn up for the party's annual conference in

Thursday's meeting will also discuss polls taken immwhere ten groups of wavering Tory voters were questioned about why they stuck with the Conservative party instead of voting Labour or Liberal Democrat. Labour's taxation and economic policies; fear of

rising interest rates; and the unpopularity of Nell Kinnock were all cited. Meanwhile, Labour's organisation committee suspended 127 Coventry party members yesterday pending further investigation into their alleged support of the rebel campaigns for Dave Nellist and John Hughes. ☐ Larry Whitty, the Labour party general secretary, asks us to make clear that the report he is to present to the National Executive Committee on the party's general election defeat does not name, as reported yesterday. individual members of the Shadow Communications val. For many years, back-benchers had a straight ford. The Bruges Group, which concentrates on extrachoice between the antis of parliamentary action, claims about 100 supporters in the the Conservative European Commons, some of them Labour MPs. Friends of Reform Group (CERG). whose best known figures are Bruges is a smaller grouping of 10-20 MPs. The 25-strong Jonathan Aitken and Sir Teddy Taylor, and the Con-NTB is largely moribund, servative Group for Europe (CGE), championed by Hugh Dykes and David Hunt, the mainly because many of its highly ambitious young activists have found their way into Welsh secretary. But as Brus-sels has pressed the case for closer union, the forces ranged against it have grown. The Euro-sceptics can

Tory rebels join up

By Nicholas Wood, Political correspondent

boast at least four other groups dedicated to stopping what they regard as the conveyor belt to a European super-state. They are the selfstyled "suicide squad" of 22 MPs who voted against the second reading of the Maastricht bill; the Bruges Group and the parliamentary Friends of Bruges, and the Thatcherite No Turning Back Group.

Michael Spicer and James

Cran have emerged as the Butterfill, also claims a memleaders of the suicide squad. The Bruges Group and the bership of around 100.

government. But it showed its teeth a couple of weeks ago by acting as the focus for the leaked meeting of ministers opposed to the Maastricht treaty.

After a long period in the doldrums, the CERG app-

ears to be recruiting again, presumably among some of the 24 "new boys" who signed the Commons motion calling for a "fresh start" after the Danish referendum. Nicholas Budgen and Richard Shepherd are on its executive and it claims a membership of 85 Tory MPs. The CGE, chaired by John

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY

on forests. The success of the summit was the fact that so

curing those agreements. A lot of work remains." with the declaration, rather than a binding agreement.

with the United States to make it join the bio-diversity agreement.

Mr Hattersley criticised the government for allowing the proportion of gross national product spent on overseas aid to decline to an abysmally low level", little over half that spent in 1979. Then it had been 0.5 per cent and rising, whereas the recent increase to 0.31 per cent had been from a low of 0.27 per cent of GNP.

Mr Major said Britain had played a leading role in launching three specific initiatives reflecting "our pos-ition as a world leader in conservation and the use of the world's resources of biodiversity and natural hab-

eral Democrat leader, said that, although Mr Major had been one of the first G7 leaders to commit himself to the summit, he had been able to achieve too little. The amounts pledged were only one-twentieth of what the

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Major highlights successes of Earth summit

THE prime minister conceded yesterday that the Earth summit had failed to meet some of its objectives but insisted that Britain had played a leading role in creating a benchmark for future environmental action.

John Major told MPs: The results have not gone as far as some would wish. As in any initiative there have had to be compromises," adding that the UK wanted to go further on climate changes than the convention allowed. He said he was writing immediately to heads of government of the European Community and the Group of Seven leading industrial-

ised countries to propose an

action plan to carry forward the agreements made at Rio de Janeiro. "We have already gone a long way towards achieving a cleaner, safer world in which all of us share responsibility for our environmental inheritance." Mr Major pointed to the

"key role" played by Michael Howard, the environment secretary, in persuading the United States to agree to the text on climate change. In a Commons statement on the summit, Mr Major said that the undertakings Britain had made were sub-stantial, although Britain would have to be content

many countries had met. something which would not have happened two years ago. "There is a firm commitment by all participants to further action. The countries of the world took on a substantial commitment to safeguard the environment on a global basis. In that respect Rio was a milestone. Britain played a leading role in se-

Mr Major was accused of self-congratulation by Roy Hattersley, the deputy Labour leader, who called on the prime minister to use Britain's special relationship

itat". He said the agreement on Rio's Agenda 21 showed "a very strong commitment" to "a very far-reaching and worthwhile agenda". Paddy Ashdown, the Lib-

UN deemed necessary.

Mr Major accepted that the summit was simply a step forward but could be built on

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Japan MPs approve bill letting troops go overseas

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FROM EUGENE MOOSA IN TOKYO

Some Asian nations, par-

ticularly the victims of Ja-

pan's armed expansion throughout the first half of

this century, have expressed fears that the measure will

lead to a resurgence of milita-

rism in Japan. They have

included China, Taiwan, Sin-

gapore, and North and South

been held in Hong Kong,

Kiichi Miyazawa, the

prime minister, said after the

final vote: "This finally en-

ables us to contribute person-

nel to the United Nations

Communist party, opposed

the measure, saying that it violated a constitutional ban

on settling international dis-putes by military force.

bill, lighting troops to non-frontime activities and disaster relief.

The measure has divided

Japanese opinion deeply. The

TBS referentiate on Sunday, spewed 55 per cent of the

32 per cent in favour and the

Addis Ababa: A summit of

the Organisation of African

Unity next week will discuss

forming a peace-keeping force that could intervene to

end African conflicts, Salim

Ahmed Salim, the secretary-

The security body, made up

of member states, would have

at its disposal an intervention

force comprising permanent

units from within the armed

forces of all OAU countries.

he told reporters. (Reuter)

general, said yesterday.

To cement an alliance with

Manila and Scoul.

JAPAN'S pariiament ended a historic 20-month battle yesterday and approved a bill allowing the dispatch of soldiers overseas for the first time since the war.

Approval was given in a 329-17 vote in the 512-seat lower house. The measure allows, under strict conditions. the posting of up to 2.000 Japanese troops to UN peace keeping missions in trouble spois such as Cambodia. It had been opposed strenuously by the opposition Socialists, boycotted the last vote after offering to resign en masse in a desperate attempt to postpone enactment.

South Africa talks end in disarray

FROM RAY KENNESY
IN JOHANNIES BUTTON
CONSTITUTIONAL negotiations of South Africa's junur broke down amid petry hitare proke down amid perty bickering yesterday, en of the has paying allow its the Ancian Mahama Cangues to force the government from power. With the ANC planting to hold 70 railies is down anniversary of the 1976 Society anniversary of the 1976 Society anniversary of the 1976 Society. weto uprising, the two sides seem on a collision course.

Nelson Mandela, the ANC president, will address a big rally in Soweto and will outline a strategy of civil disobedience and boycotts that is to continue until June 30, the deadline the ANC has set for the government to meet its demands for swift installation of an interim government. If they are not met, the ANC will begin more action, with a general strike in August.

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Israelis hint at strike on Iran

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN JERUSALEM

FOR the second week in succession, a senior Israeli military commander has said that Israel is contemplating pre-emptive action against Iran because of increasing concern that Tehran is making rapid strides in acquiring nuclear weapons.

The latest threat was made by Major General Herzl Budinger, Israel's new air force chief, who estimated that Iran could become a nuclear power by the end of the centu-Korea. Protest rallies have ry unless its atomic research programme was stopped, either through diplomacy or arms. "Israel has to create the biggest disruption also by military means in order to prevent the entry of nuclear peace efforts. I hope the citizens show understanding after our long deliberations."
The Socialists, with the tiny weapons into our area." he said. "The air force has the ability to-reach every country in the region in which there are nuclear weapons."

Major General Uri Saguy, the chief of military intelligence, resently singled out iran's nuclear inject as one of the greatest direats to Israel. He suggested that Israel also had a score to settle with Tehran for its alleged involvetwo small centrist parties, necessary for I majority bloc in the upper house, the Liberal Democratis altread on a watered down wersion of the ment in the car bomb attack this year against the Israeli embassy in Buenos Aires.

The warnings could normally be put down to the propaganda war, being fought by Israel and its radical opponents in the region. However, the fact that the latest threats were made days before Israel's general election makes them more worrying. Israeli opposition leaders are concerned that the rightwing government of Yitzhak Shamir might be contemplating a military operation to boost its flagging popularity and prove its commitment to the country's security.

Tensions between Israel and Iran have recently been exacerbated by clashes between Israeli forces in southern Lebanon and the Shia Muslim fundamentalists of Hezboliah, who are financed and trained by Iran.



Peace flight: one of several doves set free by Mikhail Gorbachev, the former Soviet president, during a boat trip on the Sea of Galilee alights on his head before flying on. Mr Gorbachev and his wife are on a five-day visit to Israel

UK welcomes help on IRA given by embattled Gaddafi

BY MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR AND CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN SIRTE

BRITAIN yesterday welcomed as a "positive step forward" Libya's provision of information about its links with the IRA, and said that a preliminary assessment showed that the information contained "positive elements

which might prove helpful". The Foreign Office said that the information, handed over at a recent meeting in Geneva, was in places incomplete and unsatisfactory, but it showed that the Libyans could take positive steps when they put their minds to it. Britain was still at an early stage in assessing the infor-mation on the IRA. Libya has been a main source of arms for the IRA, and in 1987 French customs seized an Irish-crewed freighter loaded with Libyan arms.

The government pointed out that Libya had still not complied with the United Nations Security Council resolution 731 in full, which included handing over for trial in America or Scotland the two suspects in the Lockerbie bombing of the Pan Am jet, and providing a satisfactory response to the demands made by France over the destruction of a French aircraft over Niger. In Libya, the General Peo-

ple's Congress was moving last night towards a decision on how to respond to the demand for the handing over of the Lockerbie suspects amid heated exchanges between different factions in the regime. After being subjected to unprecedented attacks in the official media, Abd al-Raziq Sawsa, the presiding ecretary, denied that his hardline opening address, in which he ruled out extradition and advocated Arab unity, represented the policy of the congress, the pinnacle of the decision-making process.

His remarks came as senior figures in the 23-year-old revolutionary regime argued privately over the merit of making a new gesture to the UN in an attempt to ward off any rightening of sanctions when they are reviewed by the

security council in August. The congress is being held in the remote coastal town of Sine, which is near Muammar Gaddafi's birthplace but far from the two main population centres of Tripoli and Benghazi. Proceedings on most subjects are televised, but discussions on foreign policy were taking place at a different venue behind closed

Mr Sawsa's defensive remarks kept alive Western hopes that Colonel Gaddafi may yet use the annual congress as a vehicle for trying to end the deadlock over the two Libyan security agents. The more technocratic members of his regime realise that without compromise, Libya's

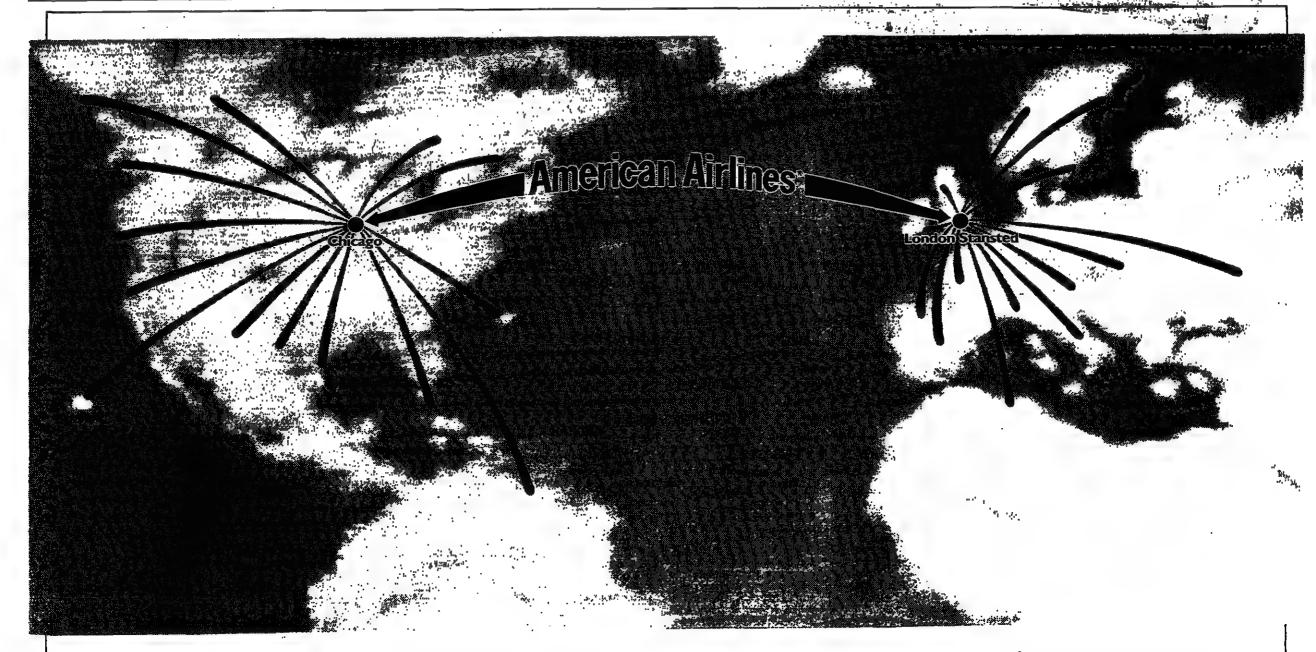


grate further.

The Sirte decision, expected within the next 48 hours. could have sweeping consequences for Colonal Gaddafi's leadership. "His survival has become entwined with the Lockerbie crisis," a European diplomat said. "He is now lighting to stay in power and seems prepared to ditch past ideology to ensure his survival."

Diplomatic sources said that the main opposition to any softening of Libya's stand came from those within the large security network who are frightened that a trial in the West could lead to their own involvement and a collapse of their privileged

The Foreign Office said last night that Britain was looking to Libya to comply fully with the UN resolution.



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EC ministers attack Delors largesse to poor regions

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN LUXEMBOURG

RICHER EC governments pressed home their attack on ambitious plans to spend large sums on the Community's four poorest states, raising fears inside the Irish government that its promises of future EC "mega-bucks" may not materialise. After EC finance minis-ters savaged the budget

plans of Jacques Delors, the president of the European Commission, last week, the Community's foreign ministers found yesterday that M Delors had modified his ideas. He suggested that his plans for a 30 per cent increase in EC spending over five years should be stretched over seven years. But Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, rammed home British criticisms of plans for huge increases in regional funds and the proposed size of a special new fund for Portugal, Greece, Spain and Ireland.

In spite of the Irish government's evident nervousness over the result of Thursday's ratification referendum in the republic, British, French and German ministers all argued that EC spending could not increase further than strained domestic budgets. David Andrews, the Irish foreign minister, was heard asking Mr Hurd for help over the budget before the meeting began, but received little assistance during the meeting itself. Mr Hurd said that the "cohesion fund" for poor states could be set up without increasing overall EC spending, but should not be as large as M

Delors has recommended. The Irish government has claimed that the budget proposal is likely to be

passed as framed by M Delors. Ireland's £3 billion in the present five-year budget would double to £6 bil-lion by 1997. Although any final settlement will boost spending on states like Ireland, the "megabucks" will fall short of Dublin's origi-

nal promises.

Mr Hurd refused yester day to comment on M Delors's prospects of reappointment to a further two years at the head of the Commission, in spite of the clamour against M Delors in Britain. The government's last formal opportunity to interfere with M Delors's progress to a third term comes on Thursday when Anibal Cavaco Silva, the Portuguese prime min-ister, who will chair the Lisbon summit next week, makes his pre-summit visit to London.

The clamour for another candidate to run against M Delors appears to encourage other governments to close ranks behind him. since there is no sign of a rival. Hans van den Broek, the Dutch foreign minister said over the weekend that he wanted to see M Delors reappointed. M Delors has thus collected endorsements from both Holland and Denmark, the only two states other than Britain which might have been tempted to try to get rid of the French president of the

Mr Hurd also appealed to his colleagues to make spe cial efforts to save Gatt, the world trade talks, during the next few weeks.

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Cash plea: David Andrews, Ireland's foreign minister, left, received little comfort when he turned to Douglas Hurd, his British colleague, for support over Ireland's hopes of extra EC cash

Euro-express 'must stay on track'

FROM IAN MURRAY IN BONN

NEITHER annoyance with the Brussels bureaucracy nor the Danish referendum can be allowed to "stop the train" towards Europe, Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, said yesterday.

Failure to move ahead would delay European integration by 25 years and history would not forgive those responsible, the chancellor said at a Christian Democrat conference designed to rally the dispirited party faithful. With public opinion swinging against European union and, above all, the idea of abandoning the mark for a

European currency, Herr Kohl spoke passionately about the need to press on. "It is quite clear that we will have failed history if we are satisfied with German unity but give up on European unity in this decade."

Many in Europe found it hard to tolerate 80 million Germans because of the past, he said; yet on all sides, including in Germany, the "old sounds" of nationalism and chauvinism could be heard. "No country in Eurdo everything at the Lisbon

European summit to ensure that the train towards Europe is not held up and the vote in Denmark does not ensure peace and freedom. stop it. We will do all we can to give Denmark the opportunity to get back on board.

"If we do not succeed in making the breakthrough, then we will have failed history." The chancellor said that there was no question of surrendering the mark until it was certain that the common European currency that would replace it was at least

but we will accelerate to-

wards further enlargement."

would help to create a political union in which national traditions were respected but in which the structure would

Klaus Kinkel, the foreign minister, sounded less idealistic in a radio interview. "It is still not the case that Europe is firmly anchored among the population, and they do not think everything that comes out of Europe is good and brings benefits," he said. The government, he added, had failed to put the European idea across to the public, perhaps because it

Hurd puts foot in animal rights trap

George Brock believes that Douglas Hurd may find himself entangled in the ambiguities of Maastricht

IF THERE was one issue that yesterday encapsulated the muddle in the European Community over the Maastricht treaty and the proper balance of power between Brussels and national governments, it was not the budget so much as the hunting of turtle-doves.

In the Gironde region of southwest France, turtledoves have been hunted for centuries, recently in furious defiance of EC directives. Hunters with shotguns have blocked roads in protest.

Douglas Hurd, in his desperate search for ways of making Maastricht more appealing, sees the turtle-dove question as ideally suited for a touch of "subsidiarity", or devolution of powers: bird law belongs to national governments.

But, along with a vague clause on subsidiarity, the Maastricht treaty also contains one on protecting animals against cruelty. The words were inserted by Tristan Garel-Jones, one of Mr Hurd's junior ministers. at the behest of the ferocious British animal rights lobby. Britain's position is conse-quently split-minded.

The Maastrict treaty contains little consensus: its 300 pages are a compromise between 12 states whose interests and agendas are diverging under the new strains of an internationalised economy and the break-up of the rigid cer-tainties of the Cold war. Mr Hurd is on dangerous ground claiming the treaty as a victory for decentralisation; equally, his opponents cannot claim it as a federalist triumph.

This ambiguity is both Mr Hurd's joy and his undoing. When the Danes voted not to ratify the treaty, he was at the peak of his influence in his own department and party. He believes, and all his colleagues seem to accept, that he is the only navigator skilled enough to sail Britain safely through the rapids which may yet smash Maastricht.

Mr Hurd usually relishes the risk. But now his own party is so rebellious and his tactics in Brussels so complicated, that self-confident captaincy is becoming nearly impossible. If the treaty survives the Irish referendum on Thursday, its fate turns on the French referendum in the autumn. If the treaty fails that test, not only will the legal document be

AGENDA THIS WEE

☐ Tuesday: second and final day of EC foreign ministers' meeting in Luxembourg. Thursday: Irish referen-dum on Maastricht.

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☐ Friday: foreign and defence ministers of the Western European Union meet k Bonn to debate EC security policy and the Franco-Ger-man corps; and Jacques Delors in Paris for talks with President Mitterrand on the forthcoming French ref dum on Maastricht.

dead but many of its ideas will never be heard of again. Mr Hurd has just spent four days in France with the Queen, and is apparently uncertain of what may happen. "I don't know how it will go." said one senior Foreign Office man yesterday. "It's very complex and probably crucial. The French are not accustomed to a running debate on these issues."

British ministers will sooner or later have to broach the idea of going beyond interpreting the treaty to actually altering the text. The closest one senior minister would go yesterday was to admit that there may yet be "leeway" to revise Maastricht.

Serbian artillery and snipers break Bosnian ceasefire

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

SERBIAN artillery shelled part of Sarajevo and snipers fired on civilians yesterday, putting a ceasetire in Bosnia's ethnic war under threat, local journalists said.

"We cannot say the ceasefire is being respected," Zoran Pirolic, a Sarajevo radio editor, said by telephone ten hours after the United Nations-mediated truce between Serb and Muslim-Crost militia forces came into force. Sarajevo radio said that gunners in the main Serb garrison at Lukavica. outside Sarajevo, had shelled the city's Dobrinja district, where 40,000 people have been trapped for weeks. Snipers were also active near Sarajevo's Jewish cemetery, which is held by Serb militiamen. Two civilians were shot dead, Mr Pirolic said.

A Reuters photographer said by telephone from Sarajevo that explosions, generally intermittent and light, could be heard all over the city, but it was unclear who was responsible for the firing.

Mr Pirolic said Muslim

and Croat territorial forces, defending the city against besieging Serbs, appeared to have fired shells into the contested district of Hrasno. "It is periodic, light shooting and shelling, not a major breach of the ceasefire. It still appears to be indiscipline, but it is happening more and more often now, and that is cause for worry," he said.

The rival militia forces in Bosnia-Herzegovina's vicious ethnic war silenced their guns at 6am yesterday to allow an emergency airlift to 300,000 Sarajevo civilians deprived of food and medicine. The UN peacekeeping forces had hoped to take over Sarajevo airport from Serb militias to enable humanitarian flights to supply the city, if the UN Security Council decided the

ceasefire was durable. In Belgrade, the student protest demonstrations continued. Four students in their early twenties stood well back from the demonstrators who had come to Students' Square in the centre of the city to demand, yet again, the resignation of Slobodan Milosevic. Serbia's president. Some student leaders urged the crowd, estimated at about

15,000, to support a general strike of the university as well as the occupation of three faculty buildings. That failed to sway Radovan, an engineering student, who described the rally as "a complete waste of time". Radovan said he would leave Serbia in a few weeks' time for Australia. He was going

now familiar student chants of "Go away, Slobo" rose behind him. "The opposition has no strong, single voice here and the students are divided," he said. "You have the students from the provinces, whose parents are pro-Milosevic and for the war, and the liberals in Belgrade, who are better but basically powerless. Milosevic knows that, and knows the power of fear — he has the police and the army to do the talking for him. That is

for good. "I really have no future here," he said as the

workers." The four young men, two of them former soldiers, nodded in unison when it was sue gested that Serbia's nationalist communist leaders were too short-sighted to see that Serbia's brightest people were

why there are more police

here today than unemployed

Police chiefs' trial will open up secrets of martial-law Poland TWO Polish secret police

day, charged with ordering the murder of Jerzy Popieluszko, the Solidarity priest. Secrets are likely to be disclosed as the officers attempt to deflect the blame on to the former communist party leadership of General Wolciech Jaruzelski or on to hardline

Marxists. The case is important, not only because it should at last shed light on the 1984 killing and the web of communist and police power, but also because it will end a period of enforced amnesia in Poland. Despite the witch-hunting rhetoric, little has been done by the Solidarity administrations to reconstruct the crimes committed and concealed in the years after mar-

tial law was declared in 1981. Three years after the Solidarity revolution, the Senate is still divided over how to prosecute crimes committed under the communists. Television footage from the marrecently by archivists. The new post-Solidarity genera-tion of Poles knows General Januzelski and General Czeslaw Kiszczak, his interior minister, mainly as the authors of two woodenly written best-sellers, rather than as architects of the martial law

internment camps. The generals on trial plainly were aware of the priest's The enforced amnesia in Poland about the crimes of the communist regime is likely to come to an abrupt end soon, Roger Boyes writes from Warsaw

murder. General Wladyslaw Ciaston was deputy interior minister and chief of the secret police. General Zenon Platek was director of the fourth department of the secret police, which was in charge of monitoring and harassing the Roman Catholic Church. After the hearing opened, lawyers acting for Father Popieluszko's family requested a brief postponement. That should allow the prosecutor to strengthen his case further.

Father Popieluszko's killing sent shock-waves through Poland and Central Europe. He had been an outsnoken Solidarity sympathiser and was kidnapped by three secret police agents - Captain Grzegorz Piotrowski, Lieutenant Waldemar Chmielewski and Lieutenant Leszek Pekala. They beat him. gagged him, and put him in the boot of their car. Finally, they threw the half-suffocated and bleeding man into a reservoir and drowned him. Given the hierarchy and

been acting without orders.

bureaucracy of the secret police, it was inconceivable that the agents could have



Popieluszko: beaten,

gagged and drowned Yet at a televised trial in February 1985 the buck stopped with their immediate superior, Colonel Adam Pietruszka. The colonel, whose initial 25-year jail term has been reduced to 15 years, says now that he was ordered by General Kiszczak to take all the blame and make sure that nobody more senior was implicated. In return, General Kiszczak would arrange that he was freed quickly and quietly. But communist rule colcancelled, and Colonel jail with nothing to lose by naming names.

Captain Piotrowski, the only other member of the gang still in jail, also tried to strike a deal. He, Colonel Pietruszka and the two other murderers - Lieutenant Pekala and Lieutenant Chmielewski, both now free will be at the trial. There were four theories

about the murder. The least plausible, that the men were acting alone out of resentment towards the priest, was the version accepted by the judges, who were guided by the communist leadership. Another theory, that the murder was planned by the KGB, seems improbable, because the operation would never have been bungled at so many crucial stages. The two most probable explanations are either that the killing was the work of a hardline faction determined to unseat General Jaruzelski, or that the killing was authorised from the top of the interior ministry.

If the trial points to the latter, that will spell the end of a period of leniency towards the Jaruzelski leadership. There have been no show trials and no public reckoning with any of the commu-

nist leaders, partly because

the same men surrendered

rower peacefully.

Havel calls for speedy solution

FROM REUTER

PRESIDENT Havel wants a quick resolution of the deadlock that is blocking talks on Czechoslovakia's future as the risk of economic damage grows, his spokesman said vesterday.

Mr Havel was due to meet Vladimir Meciar, the Slovak leader, last night before Mr Medar's delayed third round of talks on Czechoslovakia's future with Vaclav Klaus, the prime minister-designate. planned for tomorrow. Mr Klaus and Mr Meciar have failed to agree on any basic issues since the elections 11 days ago highlighted deep divisions in the country. threatening a split into two

independent republics. "If an agreement is not possible, the president would agree with Mr Klaus that matters should still proceed quickly," Michael Zantovsky, Mr Havel's spokesman, told reporters. Mr Zantovsky pointed to reports of a 10 per cent fall in Czechoslovak govemment bonds last Friday, after the second round of talks ended in hostility and

mutual recriminations. The state bank denied the reports, saying that the situa-tion was stable. "But poten-tial investors are asking us what is going on." Martin Svehla, for the bank, said.

NEWS IN BRIEF

US judges approve kidnaps

Washington: In a decision that will provoke international protest, the US Supreme Court ruled yesterday that the American government is entitled to kidnap criminal suspects from other countries and prosecute them regardless of the wishes of the nations they have been snatched

from (Jamie Dettmer writes). The justices accepted the Bush administration's plea that it had committed no wrong in kidnapping a Mexican doctor who allegedly helped to keep alive a US federal agent in 1985 while drug traffickers tortured him for information before killing him. The Mexican government had protested at the kidnapping Dr Humberto Alvarez-Marchain.

Nairobi: Sir Anthony Siaguru, the Commonwealth deputy secretary-general for political affairs, has arrived in Kenya at the head of a fourman team to help to plan the country's first multi-party elections in 26 years. (Reuter)

Refugees held

Dhaka: Bangladeshi police arrested 120 Burmese refugees for protesting against their planned repatriation. Nearly 275,000 Muslim refugees, known as Rohingyas. are being returned home to Burma. (Reuter)

Boys killed

Tampa, Florida: Daniel Perez and Anthony Storman, both nine, were killed when they apparently inhaled toluene, a chemical widely used in industry, that had been dumped in a rubbish bin with which they were playing. (AP)

Rock fans riot

Belmar, New Jersey: Thousands of rampaging rock lans smashed windows and fought with police officers after a seaside concert here. At least 38 people were injured and 25 were arrested, the police said. (Reuter)

Passengers die

Lisbon: Four people died and 30 were injured when a tourist coach crashed near Castro Daire. The coach. carrying 54 Portuguese passengers, fell 65ft into a ravine after its brakes apparently failed, police said. (AFP)

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Red elite's retreat leaves Baltic resorts in the doldrums houses used to be, where the FROM MARY DEJEVSKY Kaliningrad council would

IN JURMALA, LATVIA

ALONG the eastern Baltic coast the pines and sand dunes shelter a string of once elegant resorts to which the elite used to repair in the summer. The German and Baltic counts, with their rigorous attitude to taking the air and sea-bathing, were followed by the Soviet Union's more secretive communist aristocracy.

Members of the hierarchy would sweep to their retreats in convoys of black limousines. The proletarian select vanished towards their sanatoriums in lines of Hungarian buses, re-emerging in bright, tacky beach clothes, always in noisy groups, always out of place.



This year, from Svetlogorsk in the west to Parnu in the east, the former Soviet resorts are strangely quiet, despite a summer which has been exceptionally warm and dry. Even at weekends, the pedestrian-only streets are empty. The shops and cafés have no custom.

What has happened here is a side-effect of the Soviet Union's collapse. The system that fed the resorts is no understood yet the need for change. At Jurmala, a dozen or so miles from the Latvian capital, Riga, a resort fa-voured by the Brezhnev clan and latterly by Soviet pop stars, acre upon acre of forested housing stands empty.

Independent Latvia has

decreed that original owners or their descendants may reclaim family property confiscated by the communists. The former owners of the detached wooden mansions the aristocrats, the merchants, the old middle classes - are expected back. In the meantime, no one else may buy or sell. Some former owners, however, will find

huge clearings where their

communists built their own grand and clumsy palaces. At Jurmala, the fancies of Soviet architects roamed free. There is a red-brick development of wigwams. There are shallow pyramids. largely in glass, with leaking windows. There is a grey concrete pleasure dome, with square red-brick annexes added. Now the high fences

folly is exposed to the scorn of passers-by. Even those buildings that have not suffered from the political changes have fallen on hard times. Four weeks at a sanatorium at one of these resorts now costs between 6.000 and 10.000 roubles (E55 at the market rate) more than double the aver-

have come down, and this

age monthly wage. The cost of an air or rail ticket has risen sharply since last autumn. For adventurers prepared to travel by car, petrol supplies are uncertain. Anyway, for most of their

former visitors, most Baltic resorts are now "abroad". Russians will soon need visas and hard currency to get there. Customs restrictions will prevent them from taking their usual gifts home. Only Kaliningrad is still

Russian, but it is far away and its usual stream of holidaymakers from the non-Russian republics has dried up. The trade union organisations cannot afford to subsidise workers' holidays as they used to. The very rich, moreover, can now travel to the real "abroad".

like the high-rise sanatori-um blocks by the sea, funded by enterprises and trade unions, to become hotels attracting the many Germans who must wait for a hotel room in town. But few West Europeans would take kindly to four-bed rooms and a communal shower at the end of the corridor.

Yesterday Tass said that an officer had been killed in an explosion at an ammunition depot for the Baltic fleet in Kaliningrad. Officials said the accident was caused during a routine inspection of shells, but a local paper claimed that sailors had been taking apart shells to sell the cartridges, which contain non-ferrous metals. and had been smoking.

America and Russia fail to tie up deal on nuclear arms cuts



tary of state, said yesterday that he and Andrei Kozyrev, the Russian foreign minister, had still not nailed down agreement on deep new cuts in each side's strategic nuclear arsenals. Presidents Bush and Yeltsin want to announce the cuts at the first official summit beginning in Washington today.

Mr Baker denied the agreement was all but signed and sealed. There were still four or five oustanding problems, at least two of which were "extraordinarily difficult", he said at a press conference a few hours before Mr Yeltsin's arrival. "There's no such

Mr Baker met Mr Kozyrev in London on Friday and the two men made progress. They spoke by telephone on Sunday night, and were due to hold another meeting last night after Mr Kozyrev arrived with the Yeltsin party.

Martin Fletcher and Michael Binyon report that the US is seeking to take advantage of Russia's present weakness in negotiating nuclear cuts

Independent arms experts said Mr Bush and Mr Yeltsin were almost certain to announce an accord, but the real test was whether they merely announced a general commitment to making deep reductions as speedily as pos-sible or committed themselves to specific numbers.

Both sides have long agreed on the need for cuts that go well beyond those laid out in last year's Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (Start), but have disagreed on where and how fast cuts should fall. The US has been seeking maximum advantage given Russia's present weakness but knows Mr Yeltsin would face a backlash from

his own military if he concedes too much.

The American aim has been to eliminate all Russia's land-based, multiple-warhead SS-18 and SS-24 "Mirv" missiles, the largest, most modern and most destablising component of the Russian nuclear arsenal. The US proposed an overall ceiling of 4,700 nuclear war-heads for each side. In return for Russian compliance, It would eliminate all its land-

missile force by a third. Russian negotiators said America was asking them to discard the backbone of Rus-

based multiple-warhead mis-

siles and cut its sea-launched

can superiority in submarinelaunched missiles would remain intact. Moreover, they would actually have to deploy expensive new missile systems of other sorts to reach the 4,700 ceiling.

Land-based missile systems account for about 60 per cent of Russia's approximately 10.000 warheads. By comparison, under the US proposals. America would have to abandon only 50 MX missiles carrying 500 warheads and "download" 500 Minuteman missiles from three warheads each to one. The US would reduce its submarine-launched missiles from the 3,456 agreed under Start to about 2,300. Independent arms experts

yesterday predicted that the US would agree to a ceiling lower than 4.700 and settle for a drastic reduction in Russian Mirvs that nevertheless fell short of their complete elimination. "Clearly it will be

STRATEGIC FORCES Under Start (Russia) Weapons Warheads 500 300 200 III MM DOS 120 SS-N-20s 192 SS-N-18s 112 SS-N-23s 1540 192 95 B-1Bs

less than a third and on the way to zero," said Jack Mendlesohn, deputy director of Washington's Arms Control Association. He said the administration could settle for the elimination of Russia's SS18s but not the SS24s. SS 18s have twice the "throwweight" of the next largest missile in both countries arsenals and were "the moth-

er of missile threats", he said.

Russian sources said that

Moscow had been willing to propose at the recent fivenations arms talks in Lisbon the complete elimination of all Mirv vehicles. However, the Americans were unwilling to accept this, and Russia did not even begin talks with its three other nuclear pariners in the Commonwealth of Independent States - Ukraine, Belorussia and Kazakhstan.

The Russians said the Start

treaty laid down in exhaustive

tion and elimination of weapons, so the present follow-on talks concerned only the figures for balanced arms reducmechanisms for cuts. The sources said Moscow

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was seeking a generally more co-operative relationship with Washington but still opposed Ballistic Missile Treaty and continued SDI development

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Yeltsin woos West on eve of summit

By MARY DEJEVSKY

PRESIDENT Yeltsin began an eleventh-hour wooing of the West yesterday by signing several long-awaited economic decrees and promoting Yegor Gaidar, the architect of Russia's reform programme, from deputy to acting prime minister. The measures were announced just before Mr Yeltsin left for his first summ-

it in Washington. The promotion of Mr Gaidar, who is accompanying the Russian president to America, may be meant to boost his negotiating authority in Washington and create the impression that radical reforms continue apace. But it could also be the outcome of a brief struggle for ascendancy in the upper echelons of the

Russian government. The pecking order has been unclear since the promotion two weeks ago of Vladimir. Shumeiko, formerly deputy chairman of the Russian-parliament. Mr Shumeiko was

IMF hopes to speed Russia loan

FROM REUTER IN WASHINGTON

MICHEL Camdessus, managing director of the Interna-tional Monetary Fund, said yesterday he thought a loan agreement with Russia could be achieved soon, but conceded that delays were possible.

Speaking to the Bretton Woods Committee, he said that it was important that Russia should not slow its reform process since that would make it difficult to attract outside assistance. He made clear that "slower adjustment" always costs more to finance and said it was uncertain where such extra financing might come from. It was important that Con-gress should approve the US

share of a quota increase. Lewis Preston, the World Bank president, said that the first priority was to "help halt, and then reverse, the precipitous economic decline" in Russia. The lending programme for the former Soviet Union states could total £1.38 billion (E745 million) over the next 12 months.

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appointed a first deputy prime minister in charge of industry, apparently leaving Mr Gaidar with little more than policy-making respon-On a live phone-in pro-

gramme yesterday evening, Mr Shumeiko, in his first television appearance in his new capacity, answered questions with measured and pre-cise replies. He promised lower taxes, rouble convert ibility from July, as planned, and levies on monopoly producers to prevent them keep ing prices unjustifiably high His performance seemed in-tended to dispel any doubts on the reshuffled government's continued commitment to reform.

Mr Yeltsin needs to project his most radical and reformist image in Washington if Russia is to have any chance of receiving the Western financial assistance condition-

airport, he said: "Gaidar ads the government, which means that he remains in the vanguard of the reforms and that the reforms will continue to advance." While the Russian presi-

dent has professed support for Mr Gaidar since recent changes in the government, an element of uncertainty still surrounded yesterday's announcement. As late as last Wednesday, Mr Yeltsin was insisting that he would continue to head the government for at least another few

months until it was strong enough to stand by itself. The decrees signed by Mr Yeltsin yesterday include the long-awaited procedure that will allow state enterprises to be declared bankrupt. The decree says that state enterprises must pay outstanding debts within three months or be sold to private owners.

Of the other decrees announced yesterday, one modifies an existing and much-evaded provision on foreign exchange earnings, enabling enterprises to remit hard currency to the state at the market exchange rate, rather than a current, artificially low rate. Another introduces temporary import duties on electronic goods, cars, wine and spirits. A third decree provides for the introduction of export duties on as yet undefined "strategic goods".



The winners: fans of the Chicago Bulls standing on overturned cars amid the wreckage of Sunday night's post-match rioting in Chicago to proclaim their joy at their team's spectacular fourth-quarter comeback to win the National Basketball Association championship. They beat the Portland Trail Blazers 97-93

Moscow restores Cossacks as border defence force

FROM BRUCE CLARK IN MOSCOW

PRESIDENT Yeltsin vesterday signed a decree reviving the rights of the Cossacks, traditional defenders of the Russian Empire's fringes, as fighting in Transcaucasia between Armenians and Azerbaijanis raged on and Azerbaijan gained ground. At the same time, the chair-

man of the Russian pariia-ment, Rusian Khasbulatov, threatened formally to annex the mountain war zone of South Ossetia, a move that would virtually amount to a declaration of war with Georgia, where the region lies.

Mr Yeltsin's decree goes

some way towards meeting the demands of a Cossack movement that is re-emerg ing as a cultural, economic and paramilitary force after being forced underground when the Bolsheviks consolidated their power. It recognises the Cossacks' right to practise traditional forms of local government and communal land ownership in areas where they predominate. However, it rules out "social privileges" for Cossacks and the imposition of their way of

life on others. Mr Yeltsin's decree also instructs the defence ministry to draw up proposals for deploying the Cossacks in the armed

forces, notably "for the pro-tection of state borders and the maintenance of public peace" — their functions in Tsarist times. The withdrawal of much of the former Soviet garrison from both sides of the Caucasus mountains has strengthened the Cossacks' bargaining position as they present them-selves as the only force who can defend Russian lives from

a slide towards anarchy. Cossacks have offered their services to the Ossetians, a traditionally pro-Russian people, in their conflict with Georgia and challenged the authority of Dzhokhar Dudayev, leader of the Chechen people, who have rebelled against Moscow.

in Transcaucasia, ethnic Armenian fighters and civilians had to abandon the Shaumyanovsk valley, where Azerbaijani forces have been fighting to dislodge them for three years. The area is just outside the predominantly Armenian enclave of Nagor-no-Karabakh. The offensive, backed by 50 tanks and as many armoured cars, made a mockery of mediation efforts in Rome and marked a triumph for Azerbaijan's new

nationalist leaders. Vazgen Sarkisyan, the Armenian defence minister, acknowledging a reversal in military fortunes after May's successes, told deputies in Yerevan, the Armenian capital, to prepare for retaliation. Although the disputed enclave in Azerbaijan has proclaimed its independence, Mr Sarkisvan acknowledged that forces from Armenia proper had taken part in the unsuccessful struggle to defend Shaumyanovsk.

The threat to annex South Ossetia was made by Mr Khasbulatov in response to what he described as "genocide and mass expulsion of Ossetians from their traditional homeland". Local leaders had asked to be allowed to transfer their region to Russia in January.

Lithuanian vote: Lithuanians have voted to demand the immediate withdrawal of former Soviet troops from the republic. Preliminary results of Sunday's referendum indicated that more than 90 per cent of those who took part had voted yes to the statement: "I demand that the withdrawal of the former Soviet army from Lithaunia start at once, finish in 1992. and that compensation be paid to the Lithuanian people

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Alexander Solzhenitsyn, to

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The writer was exiled from

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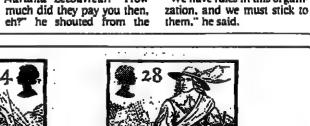
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Battling Dan delights the Republican right FROM JAMIE DETTMER IN WASHINGTON

Dan Quayle was derided four years ago as a disastrous choice for vice-president. He was seen as one of George Bush's worst mistakes. He was pummelled in the election campaign and was crushed during a tele-vision debate with his Democtat rival, the experienced Senator Lloyd Bentsen, who unleashed the withering You are no Jack Kennedy comment when his young opponent had the temerity to compare himself with the assassinated president.

Now, even some of Mr Quayle's most fervent critics are taking a fresh look and acknowledging at the very least that he has more belli-cose spirit than his sleepvalking boss in the White House. From being seen widely as a goofy, no-hope. saffe-ridden vice-president, more a hindrance than a help to President Bush, Mr Quayle has emerged right at the centre of the administration's fight to survive.

In aggressive speeches on conservative themes. Mr Quayle has grabbed the spotlight and earned himself the praise of right-wing Republicans. His weekend assault on Ross Perot. the Texan billionaire who leads President Bush in opinion polis, was applauded by conservative commentators.

Wesley Pruden's column in the Washington Times was headlined "The 2-Man race: Quayie v Perot", a snub to President Bush, who has so far, and probably mistakenly, refused to grace the battlefield against the Texan. Mr Quayle has hardly been off the front pages in the past few weeks in his attempts to snatch the pop-

ulist card from Mr Perot. First, he condemned the heroine of the popular television sitcom, Murphy Brown, for having a baby out of wedlock, claiming that it was the kind of Hollywood story-line that encouraged you are no



6ED immorality and the breakdown of the traditional nuclear family. He renewed his attack twice against Hollywood and the "cultural elites" in the media and the universities, who he claimed were out of tune with traditional family values. "They'll try to mock us in newsrooms, sitcom studios and faculty lounges across America," he said. "I wear their scorn as a badge of honour."

At a rally at the Southern Baptist Convention in Indianapolis last week. he derounced sex education in primary schools, free condoms and homosexual parents. He received a standing Mr Quayle believes that the Bush White House must

try to keep together the co-

alition of voters that was put together initially by Richard Nixon and nurtured by Ronald Reagan. Known as the 'Reagan Democrats", the bulk of that coalition defected to the Republicans because of the party's social message against permissiveness and drugs and they approved of its support for tough law-and-order mea-sures. Now, as economic worries replace social ones, the coalition is crumbling. Mr Quayle's antidote has the increasingly confused

White House split. There are those like Charles Black. the senior strategic adviser to the Bush campaign, who believes that in a three-way presidential race the only thing to do is to try to consolidate the party's conservative base.

Others worry that Mr Quayle's absolutism on issues such as abortion may alienate many more voters from the middle ground who still may be needed, if one of Mr Bush's two presidential rivals falls away in the

A shrewd offensive or not. Mr Quayle has done himself good with the conservative wing of the party, the constituency he will need if he decides to seek the presidential nomination in 1996.

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French-style laws on privacy are urgently needed in Britain

Today the Queen goes to Ascot for the start of the Royal Meeting. The cheers as she drives down the course followed by carriages carrying members of her family will be louder and longer than usual. The British, with their love of fair play, are quick to support and encourage those patently not getting it. Last Saturday Esther Rantzen of That's Life was seen asking passers-by for their views of the torrent of sensational accounts of the private lives of the Prince and Princess of Wales. All but one thought they should not have been published and that the manner of their presentation was disgraceful: the exception was a young man declaring himself a convinced republican.

Most are titillated by tumults in famous families such as the Reagans or entertainment stars. Books about them make large sums for the authors and large sales for newspapers serialising them. That the public is clearly interested does not mean people believe the hype for their dissemination is in the public interest. In the case of the royal family, protestations that the public has the right to know because a supposed constitutional issue is involved are laughed at as

hypocritical boloney.

Whatever the intent may be, bruiting abroad what purport to be intimate details of the private life of the heir to the throne must harm the monarchy, even if some details are accurate. Two days ago The Sunday Times itself, while claiming not to be a republican newspaper (i fooled me), published the results of a Mori poll it had commissioned. The findings were of a recent sudden drop in public esteem for the monarchy.

If they were true, who is most responsible? The Sunday Times itself. It leads the pack with its attacks on the royals; running, for example, stories on the Queen's personal wealth that wildly exaggerate it. Its demand for the Queen to pay income tax omits to mention that if the Queen took back her Crown Estates she would have an income nearly ten times as great as the entire Civil List, and if she then paid tax she would have £40 million a year left, making her almost as rich as the Duke of Westminster.

n 1990 the Calcutt committee reported that the Press Complaints Commission was, for the newspaper industry, "one final chance to demonstrate it could put its own house in order" on matters of privacy. Manifestly it has failed; circulation battles always take precedence over promised good behav-iour. Not only the Prince and Princess of Wales and the royal family need protection, but many besieged by reporters and photographers in their homes, and in hospitals, at tragic or traumatic moments of their lives.

published about the private lives of the royal family, thinking that if there are difficulties in their marriage, placing them in a goldfish bowl will make it far harder for the difficulties to be overcome. French law enshrines "rights to one's personality". Family and personal matters are covered by a right of privacy: breaches are criminal. We need urgently a law similar to that of the French but which does not exclude bona fide investigations into wrongdoers. A book comparable to Andrew Morton's could not have appeared in France.

Meanwhile, opinion turns against promoters of such treatises, querying the one-sided nature of the alleged sources and their veracity (Mr Morton, challenged on Radio 4's Today yesterday morning offered a singularly feeble defence). The net effect of the present commotion is likely to be an upsurge of affection and respect for the superbly dignified and composed monarch.

Conor Cruise O'Brien detects power games behind ANC bluster that could win a South African settlement

his week's pro-democracy rallies organised by the Afri-can National Congress are Playing black man's bluff intended as the beginning of a winter of discontent for South Africa. At the end of last month's ANC policy-making conference in Johannesburg, Cyril Rama-phosa, the ANC secretary-gener-

would be so damaged that significant concessions might be al, promised "unprecedented mass action". He refused to rule out a general strike, stayaways. extorted. But they do not have that capacity and nobody knows that better than Mr Ramaphosa, demonstrations and sit-ins, if the a leading officer of both movements. He and his colleagues know, from painful experience, government did not give ground. Mr Ramaphosa is now probathat the most impressive-soundthe titular, leader of the ANC. He ing of their present threats is a has the reputation of being a Last November, a strike

organised jointly by the ANC and osatu is said to have brought out 3.5 million workers and to have been the biggest strike in South African history. Yet it ended in disaster, amid lethal ethnic conflict. (Ethnic divisions are not as important as the ideologists of apartheid proclaimed, but they e a lot more important than ANC propaganda has allowed for, and they are increasingly salient since the scrapping of the apartheid laws.) Most of the ANC leaders are Xhosa, and the workers who willingly followed their

Xhosa. At the President Steyn goldminers wanted to go on working, and were attacked by Xhosa strikers. After 69 miners had 180 injured. management closed the mine, leaving 2,500 miners temporarily unemployed. The greatest strike in South African his-

tory had done a

little damage to the

mine owners: its principal victims were the miners themselves. After that experience, the goldminers are unlikely to put themselves in the front line of the mass-action programme. Oneday and two-day token strikes there will be, but hardly much more. Goldminers and other

Ramaphosa: taking a calculated risk?

ployed have a lot to lose. The general strike is a dream. and sustained strikes of any kind are improbable. Boycotts are probable, but they are unprofitable.

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nesses, especially in the Eastern Cape, but they also hurt blacks, and have to be mainblacks and the least damaging to

from 1986 on are known as "the

lost generation", educationally speaking, and are a source of

worry to the ANC. As for demon-

strations and sit-ins, these would

tained by intimida-School boycotts are the most damaging to whites. Those who took part in the prolonged school boycotts

be damaging to the government only if the security forces were seen to react too fiercely. Mr de Klerk is probably firmly enough in control to prevent that. The mass-action programme, then, will not work if it is seen as

an attempt to force the govern-ment to hand over power to the ANC. I believe the leaders know that, and I think their real purpose is different. Paradoxically, I think the real purpose of the programme of mass action is to démonstrate its own futility and prepare the way for agreement with Mr de Klerk, on something very close to his present terms. Effectively, the ANC is already

near to such an agreement; it has conceded the principle, vital to the president, of a constitutional veto for a minority: there is a difference of only 5 per cent over how large the minority has to be. This is not in itself an adequate reason for mass action, but there are other reasons.

The ANC leaders know that

when they reach agreement with Mr de Klerk, on any terms short of a complete transfer of power to them (and no such terms are obtainable), they are going to be denounced by many of their followers for having sold out. These hardliners are people who claim that the ANC can make South Africa ungovernable if it does not get its demands in full. The ANC leadership has apparently decided to let these people have their heads for a few months, by the end of which most blacks will be heartily sick of mass action and ready to accept

compromise.
The ANC leadership's line is calculating and pragmatic. It may seem cynical, but is justifiable if it can take South Africa to a compromise settlement. It is a pity that, of its nature, this tactic has to be accompanied by wild rhetoric. Nelson Mandela last month compared President de Klerk to Hitler and South African blacks to Hitler's victims, the Jews. This comparison refutes itself by the mere fact that it can be made. Imagine a report from the Berlin of 50 years ago under the headline "German Jew denounces Hitler".

Monsters of our own making

The latest outbreak of soccer violence

is a further example of media attention providing an incentive for social disorder, says Janet Daley

was contemplating writing a column that might have been headlined, "Whatever happened to soccer hooliganism?" The cult of violence at domestic football matches seemed to have given way to joy-riding as the favourite proletarian horror story of the media. If the ritual clashing of team supporters had not totally disappeared, it had at least be-come invisible to the general public, subsiding into the un-remarkable bouts of Saturday night brawling which have al-ways been part of working class culture. Perhaps Hillsborough had been a turning point, I was going to speculate: mindless crowd behaviour had reached its apotheosis and the conse quences had purged football followers of their internecine hatreds.

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President de Klerk and the Nat-

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It is true that if the ANC and Its

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movement) were really capable of organising anything of the order

of a general strike, or even a

sustained strike in the gold mines.

non-starter.

the bloodlust of the English terraces was a passing fashion that simply blew itself out, as youth cults invariably do. And that it had expired was, as much as anything, because the media grew tired of cataloguing its repetitive excesses. To the extent that drunken neandenhals were still using soccer as a pretext for a more entertaining blood sport. their behaviour had ceased to be a phenomenon which was duly recorded by a faithful press and grimly analysed by portentous commentators.

At home, attention has been diverted from 20-year-old football thugs to 15-year-old car thieves staging impromptu hot-rod rallies on their sink council estates. If you want to get into the tabloids these days, you have to do more than commit grievous bodily harm to an alter ego who is, apart from gang loyalties, indistinguishable from yourself. Now the camp-following photographers and solemn social pundits are all beaming in on juveniles who express themselves by stealing high performance cars from the rich. And, true to form, this new craze is flowering in the glow of public attention. Bred in a society that normally regards them as beneath its notice, disinherited by an education system that sees no need to introduce them to higher literacy (or even to teach them to speak their own language properly), proletarian children have found another route

And so soccer hooligans are has-beens, as dead as a pop group who haven't had a hit for five years. Until they go abroad. Then once again they are offered star billing by print and broadcast weeks in advance on whether England's reputation will once again be disgraced. Grave warnings and dire predictions are issued at the highest levels. Figures of political and social authority who show no interest in the moral vacuum into which working class life has descended until it mutates into another form of delinquency, express their deep concern. And the whole farrago becomes an overture for a public speciacle that has now had so much anticipatory fanfare as to

With the world's press gathered about them and the cameras rolling, the famous "small minority of troublemakers who are not even true football fans" relive their finest moments. Nonentities become superstars. The inarticulate find themselves briefly in



Spirit of the terraces: the football supporter can be seduced by an image of himself as anti-hero

their actions, government ministers are forced to make public apologies to foreign heads of state. Front pages are cleared of important political news to make room for their exploits. For a moment, they are dignified once again by the title of "social

problem": no longer common yobs or drunken louts who affect nothing and interest nobody, but the infamous horde in dread of whom foreign cities must barricade themselves and police forces

reorganise. And, as the Swedes have discovered. it is too late for a simple dose

of kindly tolerance. Cheap beer and a humane welcome do not instantly roll back the manic bestiality that has become the currency of this way of life. Where the Italians did not succeed with brute force, so the Scandinavians have failed with liberal decency.

There is no way to conduct such an experiment, but it would be interesting to test whether the lifespan of a social problem is prolonged by media attention: to ollow two parallel strains of misbehaviour, one of them receiving saturation press coverage and the other being

ignored. I am not talking simply about the danger of encouraging imitative behaviour. Whenever the press report an innovative crime, they risk exciting the imagina-tions of countless fantasists. What I am suggesting is that the media are actively involved in elaborating urban myths which are irresistibly seductive to the impressionable. Sporadic thuggety is turned into an icon of class identification because the media are no longer simply recording events but orchestrating them. The soccer hooligan becomes an anti-hero in a script which he would not have had the resources to write for himself.

t the moment, the air is full of outrage against newspapers that have the ffrontery to let ordinary people in on the open secrets of public life. But if ever there was a real case for press self-restraint it is in this area of working-class peculiarly disingenuous role. Under the guise of condemna-tion, they in fact serve as the most prized arena for notoriety within the delinquent community. What greater renown for a yob than to appear on the front page of The Sun, his own journal

The quality media, meanwhile, engage in their varying brands of paternalism and humbug, elevating the anarchic and pointless to something systematic and expli-cable. In the perverse logic of punditry, the most degrading and self-defeating behaviour becomes dignified with an official taxonomy and is rewarded with painstaking attention. The lesson is clear: behave well and you will sink without trace in your anonymous milieu. Behave badly and you will be a star.

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...and moreover CRAIG BROWN

imme the money, maan!" said the senior produc-tion account executive. "or the kid gits it between the

We were sitting in a con-ference suite on the eighth floor of a smart hotel, attending a meeting of the prestigious Cleeshay Films, the TV produc-tion company. Cleeshay Films is, as you know, the leading independent producer of highquality prestige drama series. renowned for its very high production values. Last year Cleeshay Films brought to our screens such classic pro-grammes as the fascinating survey of life under the Raj. Turban Terror: the re-creation of the ups and downs of life in a victorian household, M'Lud the Mass Murderer: and that marvellously nostalgic trip down memory lane and worthy successor to The Edwardian Diary of a Country Lady. The Edwardian Pump-Action Shotgun of a Country Lady.

They are also, of course, wholly committed to contem-

porary productions reflecting the rich variety of life in modern, multi-cultural Britain, as such excellent drama series as Spa-ghetti Junction Serial Killer, winner of three DAFTA awards. bear testament.
"I don't have no dough,

maan!" replied the chief corporate production secretary, brandishing a meat-hook in one hand. "An' I don't want no hassle, okay? I said OKAY?" The chief corporate production sec-retary then chased the senior

production account executive out on to the balcony. After a brief struggle, they both slipped and plummeted eight floors to their deaths. "Azaagh!" they said in a brief show of unity. "That just about wraps up financing." said our chairman, moving to the next item on the agenda. "So let's deal with casting now. shall we?" Our chairman is a bluff, straightforward, big-hearted fellow, the kind of bloke you feel you can trust, all of which adds up to the fact that he is a leading figure in a secret neo-nazi movement,

and probably an underground worker for the CIA to boot. The casting director suddenly entered the conference suite, carving through the wall in a burnt-out Ferrari with a young. nameless thug in a balaclava and a Mickey Mouse mask hot on his tail. The thug drew out a handgun, placing its barrel in the mouth of the casting director. At the last second, the casting director's wife rushed into the suite and, with a yell, launched herself at the young thug, who fell over the balcony. The casting director then took his seat around the table and went over the various casting options. As we were all pondering the relative merits of two leading actors, a tea lady appeared pushing a trolley containing a choice of sand-wiches, hand-grenades and high-explosives. REVENGE IS

MINE SAITH THE LORD!"

she screamed, pulling off her

wig to reveal herself as Alfonso. the crazed international terror-

ist wanted by police in 15 continents. Only the quick thinking of the continuity supervisor in throwing the trolley and Alfonso over the balcony prevented a catastrophe of potentially tragic proportions. So far, our meeting had been

very productive, with a marvel-lous selection of unoriginal ideas down on paper, all drawn from unreality. Cleeshay Films is always on the look-out for gritty dramas, authentic to the feel of life as it is lived on modern British television. At that point, a secretary from Storyline Development, who had been raped and left for dead the day before by a Mason very highly placed in the govern-ment, turned to the chairman and said: "You're my Dad. Don't deny it or I'll send for the cops." She turned to the chief lighting executive and said: "It was you on the Grassy Knoll that fateful day in Dallas: you who betrayed the dreams of a nation!" "Well, if nobody has anything

further to add." said the chair-man, shuffling his papers. "I think I will draw the meeting to a close, but I would ask that none of you reveal to anyone outside this room the way in which bovine spongiform en-cephalitis is affecting nuclear power plants. and that Sizewell B is, even as we speak, prancing around in lunatic fashion off the west coast of Scotland."

And so another season of penetrating drama series from Cleeshay Films was created. Believe me - it's all so authen-

It's our money

NEIL KINNOCK'S failure to become president of the Confederation of European Socialist Parties – he ruled himself out in Lisbon last night because of the fallout from Maastricht - was compounded by a row between the party leadership in Walworth Road and Labour MEPs over funding for the next European

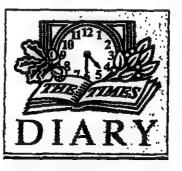
Last week Larry Whitty, party general secretary, flew to Strasbourg to ask Labour MEPs to hand over the £450,000 they will receive in EC "information money" before the 1994 elections. Instead he came back with half that figure after MEPs voted effectively to declare UDI and keep

£200,000 for themselves. "Their decision means that after other overheads the Labour party has only £150,000 to spend on a national campaign for the 1004 elections." says a senior Walworth Road figure. "It is selfish beyond belief. I hope they feel guilty because they deserve to."

The decision has appalled other socialist parties in Europe, all of which hand over their information money to a centrally run com-paign. The vote reinforced old lears among Euro-socialists that the British Labour party remains an unreliable partner. Glyn Ford, leader of the Labour

MEPs, had backed Whitty's ap-peal but was overruled by his colleagues. Speaking from Lisbon. where he was at Kinnock's side. Ford said "I did not agree with the conclusion. They felt that as we had concentrated resources at the centre in the run-up to the general election, individual members should keep the money for their own campaigning purposes."

Quite what Labour MEPs in-



tend to do with the money, which will be allocated to those in safe seats and those in marginals alike, is still unclear. "It will pay for Christmas cards to all our constituents," says one cynical MEP who voted against the decision.

All the news

WHILE most broadsheet newspapers have scrupulously avoided repeating the more controversial allegations in Andrew Morton's book on the royal marriage, the BBC has been distinctly less cautious On the day of the book's publication yesterday. Radio 4's Today staged a huge plus for the book in a bad-tempered exchange between the author and the BBC's John Humphrys. In it Morton gave his interpretation of an incident in which the Princess of Wales fell down a flight of stairs

while pregnant.
While the broadsheet press has adopted an unofficial code in reporting the story. BBC Radio, it seems, does not even have the most informal guidelines. A spokesman for Today says: "As a general rule we do not have policy meetings on individual stories " Even ones involving the marriage of the

future monarch? "No." The spokesman insisted: "John Humphrys took a perfectly reasonable line of questioning to a prime source. It was not repeating the allegations." But hold on. Humphrys mentioned the most sensational allegation of Morton's book at least six times. "But that was to try to affirm the veracity of the story, which is very much in the public eye." So the BBC did repeat the allegations? "It was legitimate to do so." In other words, yes.

• From harp strings to heart strings. Penny Gore Brown, who on Thursday will marry leuan Jones, the harpist who entertains MPs in the Harcourt room at the Palace of Westminster, will force her new spouse to eat his words.



Before they met Jones told a news-paper interviewer: "If a woman came along she would have to agree to take second place to the harp. It's my whole life and always will be. Women want too much. I just don't have the time and I've already settled down with my harp." Such consistency must come from associating with so many politicians over the years.

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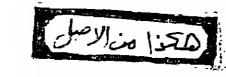
THE battle for the Ashes, due to be resumed when Australia tour England next summer, is about to take on a new turn with the news that the three-inch-high urn is to make only its second public appearance in 70 years outside the

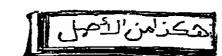
Memorial Gallery at Lords. The Ashes are due to go on loan to the V&A museum in November as part of a three-month exhibition of sporting trophies, prompting Australians to reopen the question of why, even when they manage to beat the Whingeing Poms, the Ashes remain at Lords. England's attitude, say the Australians smacks of "heads you win, tails

we lose". True, the Ashes did make one visit to Australia, in 1987 for the bicentenary, under armed guard on the Prince and Princess of Wales's flight. But even when Australia held the Ashes for nearly 20 years before losing them at the Oval in 1953, the urn remained in its glass cabinet at Lords.

David Frith, Australian editor of Wisden Cricketing Monthly, says a change in the arrangement would be a marvellous gesture. "I suspect, however, it will never hap-pen. Lords is determined to hold on to them regardless."

• The BBC has come up with a unique solution to the problems of Canary Wharf. Paint it black (for mourning, perhaps?) or build a second tower alongside, are the recommendations of a longawaited report into the difficulties of Docklands. Not that the solutions will be of much use to the Reichmann brothers. The BBC is more concerned that the 800ft tower is apparently the cause of "ghosting" on thousands of tele-vision screens in east London. Painting it black, it says, would stop signals from Crystal Palace bouncing off the building. Other-wise, "another equally tall but more absorbent building across the path of the incident of reflected beams" would do the trick





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AN END TO DELORS

How can the British government possibly support an extension of Jacques Delors' presidency of the European Commission? John Major regards M Delors as the antithesis of everything he believes a Europe of co-operating nations should be about.
Only last week, M Delors outrageously demanded that Britain should suppress its opinions of the future of Europe during the forthcoming British presidency, with not the slightest intention of suppressing his own.

M Delors is what he is, a left-wing French politician turned unelected Colbertian world statesman. He believes strongly in a centralised Europe and explains boldly what he means by that, a federal state dominated by a strong bureaucracy answerable to what he knows will always be a weak European parliament. There is a long, if not entirely reputable, French tradition behind such a Europe. Recently a desperate M Delors has surmised that some matters might after all be left to rump national parliaments, such as crisps, beer and sausage "harmonisation". But the culture in which he moves and has his being is unrepentantly interventionist. It is the culture of big and ubiquitous government, of high taxation, of large interregional transfers and of trade union and industrial protectionism.

M Delors has, to his credit, seidom hidden his ideology. He is no shrinking servant of his Commission, let alone of the EC's Council of Ministers. He is a man of intelligence and will, whose French staff have come to dominate the Brussels machine and turn the Commission from an arm of the ministerial council into a distinctive centre of power itself: so much so that the Council of Ministers has had to set up a separate secretariat.

M Delors represents in all its dazzle the European aggrandisement and quick march to unionism that enthused most of political Europe in the 1970s and much of the 1980s. As his predecessor Lord Jenkins implies in his memoirs, Brussels knows that it has either to go on gathering power to itself, or it

would wither and die. European co-operation will not and must not wither or die. But M Delors' personal vision of the inevitable growth of Brussels power is indeed withering and will die. That a Danish referendum should have been the agent of that decline is an accident of history. That Britain, long the Euro-realist, has been upstaged by Denmark

What is important is that Britain should now recognise the new direction. It should search out the best person to lead the Commission beyond the end of this year into a new era of active intergovernment cooperation. Europe desperately needs a minimalist, a subsidiarist, a humble and civil servant, a believer in getting things done, not one who pursues visions of glory for himself and his office. There must be a hundred good candidates.

The Foreign Office, whose claim to be as Euro-sceptical as anybody is fast losing credibility, has impaled itself on a hook. It did a deal with the Germans on M Delors' extension last year, in return for an understanding that the German foreign ministry would return the favour in due course. To sell this deal to the growing number of Tory MPs opposed to Maastricht, Downing Street is this week cobbling together an argument that to support M Delors would be an act of Machiavellian cunning: his views may be objectionable but he is impotent; he is already a lame duck; his every deed aids the Euro-sceptical cause; leave him in place rather than risk a more effectively unionist successor.

This tactic is too clever by half. It underrates M Delors' capacity for further upsets. It ignores the need for Europe to press ahead faster on enlargement and on free trade after a decade of distracting battles over the Commission's self-aggrandisement. The British government rejects M Delors' vision. It must therefore reject him. For Britain to support him in his bid for an extended term would be shamelessly cynical.

DRY BEDS, MUDDY WATERS

In places the delightful River Darent in Kent dwindles in summer to a muddy trickle, in other places to nothing. Passers-by who look on its dry bed with sadness assume this to be evidence of severe drought, caused by act of God or global warming or even a statistical freak in the climate, but surely no one's fault.

But the state of the Darent is not an accident. The chairman of the National Rivers Authority, Lord Crickhowell, said yesterday that it was caused not by the notorious drought but by "gross overabstraction". The Darent's water, and the water in the ground that feeds it, are being deliberately drained for consumer purposes. The culprit is Thames Water pic, the largest

of the privatised water companies. The company is not short of water. It boasts that this year its reservoirs are full. No hosepipe bans are likely, although it is one of many authorities that lose up to a fifth of their water through broken pipes. How then did the Thames Water get permission to extract water so damagingly from the Darent? The answer is that the extraction licences were issued by none other than the Thames Water Authority, the present body's public-sector predecessor.

Yesterday the National Rivers Authority, which emerged post-privatisation as the new licensing authority for river extraction, bared its regulatory teeth. It announced that it was using its statutory powers to demand that Thames Water should cut its allowed extraction limit from the Darent by a third by September 1, and by another large amount after that. The Darent was at the head of a list of 40 dwindling rivers in England and Wales. The NRA, which had been seeking voluntary restraint from water companies with abstraction licences in order to restore the levels of those rivers, has finally run out of patience.

Not surprisingly the Thames Water Authority was one of the least enthusiastic of all water utilities at the concept of a National Rivers Authority. At first the utilities had persuaded the minister in charge of water privatisation, Nicholas Ridley, to leave their powers intact. Concerning rivers, they would continue to be in charge of water extraction, sewage discharge, water quality, and river level. In other words they would be allowed to go on being poacher and gamekeeper in one. Under pressure from conservationists and water consumers Mr Ridley changed his mind from his 1986 white paper and went for the idea of an independent river regulator, the NRA.

The authority has been up and running

only-since 1989. Although its start has been promising there are already schemes for dismemberment. A new environmental protection agency, the government has said. is to take most of the NRA's water-quality powers. The agriculture ministry wants those relating to land drainage. The latter move would again blur the line between poacher and gamekeeper in water management. Maff's job is to act as broker between the farming industry and the Treasury and Brussels, not to represent the nation's interest in conservation, of water or anything else. But the idea of land drainage being transferred from the NRA to the new protection agency has upset the purists with the prospect of an otherwise solely inspecting body employing drainage-ditch diggers.

The resulting hiatus over the new agency - the proposal was in the Tory manifesto but missing from the Queen's Speech - has given the NRA a chance to prove itself. A tough policeman will be needed to arbitrate between different demands on water resources. The conflicts of interest are growing as demand itself grows, and water can no longer be treated as a free commodity in unlimited supply. But if that means being strict with the water extraction plans of such as the mighty Thames Water, in defence of the tiny River Darent and its kin, now is almost too late.

SORRY MINISTER

Before returning to London yesterday, the British minister, David Mellor, declared in Malmo that he was ashamed of drunken England soccer yobs. But was he speaking in his role as secretary for national heritage or minister for fun? Mr Mellor's new department was designed to bring together the pleasures of life, from sport and tourism to arts: and broadcasting, newspapers and libraries, with a national lottery, it is loosely hoped, raising £1 billion a year to pay for the

more speculative parts of them. Yesterday's apology to the Swedes was one of Mr Mellor's first official acts as a cabinet minister. Drunken violence at football is one of the oldest English notions of both fun and heritage. Football began as a primitive war game, in which neighbouring settlements fought each other with frequent casualties and fatalities in order to propel an inflated bladder, or in the Dark Ages an alien's head, into enemy territory. But not even the Anglo-Saxons were silly enough to set up cheap beer-tents in the hope of persuading their invading Norse berserkers in their long ships to behave less violently. For the Norsemen to invite the Saxons back to Scandinavia in this fashion is indeed a revenge for many a Viking raid.

Heritage is a modern weasel word. The only possible meaning in the dictionary that can apply to Mr Mellor's department is: That which comes from the circumstances of birth; an inherited lot or portion; the condition or state transmitted from ancestors." By this definition, hooliganism is a far older and more traditional part of the English heritage than stately homes, opera, or even the BBC. There is no point in the minister for English heritage complaining at his first question time yesterday about English football fans behaving like wild animals. What else did he think he was appointed to preserve?

The same argument applies to the semantics of his nickname. Fun means diversion, amusement, sport and also boisterous jocularity or gaiety. That is what the lager yobs think they are having. One man's fun is another man's feeble protest. American football supporters regularly behave this way without hysterical journalists running riot across the tabloid press.

Heritage and fun are two departments of life in which the English idiosyncrasy wants no instruction from politicians. Ministers of culture are foreign, indeed positively French, officials. If Lord Archer becomes Mr Mellor's junior minister for fun in the House of Lords, as rumoured, he will be adding another target to the old English heritage of making fun of their political rulers.

The football in the European championship so far has been mind-numbingly unfun in its tedium and defensiveness. Crowds, not to mention television watchers, are having to endure 120 minutes of hoofing and hypocritical writhing for every goal scored. Until a new scoring method is introduced enabling results to occur other than by passing back to the goalkeeper and by unpenalised head-butting, it is hard to see how soccer can possibly elevate itself beyond being a sideshow to "crowd trouble". Mr Mellor might apply his talents to this task, unless he wishes to go down in history as nothing more than the Secretary of State for Public Apologies.

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A matter of opinion at election time

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tory unfairness in creating peers From Lord Jenkins of Hillhead

Sir, Since the general election, on four different lists and for a variety of stated purposes, 38 new peerages have been created. Of these 21 have gone to Conservatives (who on April 9 polled 43 per cent of the votes cast). ten have gone to the Labour party (who polled 36 per cent of the votes cast), three have gone to those who are or have been associated with fringe parties (which polled 14 per cent of the votes cast), two (for the Lord Chief Justice and the chairman of the Countryside Commission) have gone to those outside any party, and one to the ex-Speaker, who becomes a cross-bencher. Only one has gone to the Liberal Democrats. who polled 18 per cent of the votes

Thus the Conservative strength in the House of Lords has been increased by one for every 640,000 votes, the Labour party by one for every 1,115,000, the fringe parties by one for 194,000 and the Liberal Democrats by one for its nearly six million votes.

million votes. This can hardly be justified on the ground that the Conservative party as the government had need to fortify its numerical weakness in the House of Lords. It already had 465 peers as compared with 114 for the Labour party and 59 for the Liberal Democrats. Nor does the quality of its list of so-called "working peers" (commented upon by your own parliamentary correspondents on June 13 as hardly matching that of the Labour party) suggest an urgent press of those with outstanding senatorial claims.

The House of Lords is not of course an elected chamber, but nor is it one to which the traditional anti-proportional representation arguments (which sway some people but not me) can possibly apply: it does not make or destroy governments. In all these circumstances the peerage creation policy pursued by Mr Major does seem to achieve a remarkable combination of party jobbery and

anti-democratic perversity.

Partly by accident and partly as a function of old loyalties, the Liberal Democrats have been less grossly under-represented in the House of Lords than in the House of Commons. But we are an ageing group, and by refusing us any approach to a fair share of reinforcement Mr Major seems resolved on the deliberate destruction of such approach to a reasonable balance as has previously existed.

Yours faithfully, ROY JENKINS (Leader of the Liberal Democrat peers). House of Lords. June 15.

Cambridge traffic From Mr Richard Rhodes James

Sir, I wish to say how thankful I am that all traffic has been banned from the centre of Cambridge during certain hours (letters, June 10). The freedom to walk down Sidney

Sussex Street or Market Street or Trinity Street without having to look behind to see what may be coming, even if it is only a bicycle, has to be experienced. I believe few realise what a very small area is affected. Let the pedestrian have just a little bit of peace so that he can gaze around in undisturbed wonder.

Yours truly, RICHARD RHODES JAMES, 15 Almoners Avenue, Cambridge.

From Mrs Ruth Colyer

Sir, I lived in Cambridge from 1915 to 1936. The accepted custom was that at 90 years old one could switch to a tricycle.

Yours faithfully, R. COLYER. Orchardene, Candys Lane, Shillingstone, Blandford Forum, Dorset

Charity change From Mrs Elisabeth Hoodless

Sir, Your report (June 10) of the Archbishop of Canterbury's concern that charity directors had changed their group's name from Moving Spirits to Directors' Network should not alarm your readers: we remain energetically moving spirits, but our secretaries and other guests at clubs where we dine were fearful that we were indulging in seances. Hence the

Yours sincerely. ELISABETH HOODLESS (Secretary), Directors' Network, 17 Cross Street, N1.

Country house revival From Mr John S. Anderson

Sir, Creating new examples of the

English country house, as advocated by Brian Clouston (letter, June 8). makes sense. The value of our traditional country houses - both large and small - is recognised world-wide and it is an aberration of the present planning system that it should virtually prohibit all further similar development

Well documented in literature which is being revived and popularised by television adaptation, the role of the country house should not be allowed to lapse. Strangling regulations offer little opportunity to a present-day Soames to enable the trainee Lutyens or Jekyll to add to

this peculiarly British heritage. However, the preservation of the

actually an equal, and positive, +0.3 per cent "bias" for both major parties. Three people in a thousand, and both in the same direction. From Professor Robert M. Worcester

cent, three -0.3 per cent.

tions.

Any so-called Liberal "bias" is

minuscule: ten elections -0.1 per

cent, nine -0.2 per cent, five +0.2 per

Your leading article began by

saying that "those three little mono-

syllables — 'we were wrong' — are not words that habitually pass the lips of

pollsters". Certainly not, when the MORI survey result (published in

The Times on election day, 1987) was within I per cent of the share of

each party, as was the MORI result

in the preceding four national elec-

But there is no denying that in 1992 we got it wrong. We have just published a 60-page report of our

analysis of what our post-mortem has uncovered, some of which was

reported by Peter Riddell in The Times on June 13 ("Polisters deny

figures have been wrong for 30 years"). And that is backed up by

thousands of post-election interviews

and hundreds of pages of computer

printour. We know now, and the MRS enquiry has confirmed, that over half of the discrepancy of four

people in a hundred is accounted for

by late swing and differential turn-

We asked literally hundreds of questions for The Times and our

other clients during the campaign,

and there are clues that we didn't

read in the figures that we can now see. But it remains true that there is

no other tool for the understanding

of human behaviour and attitude to

compare with the sample survey,

with all of its limitations of sampling

accurately and asking the right

doing differently next time. Except to

say we'll do everything we can, and do so very carefully.

Suchinda to appear before him.

Though the television presentation

of the audience showed the king in

compassionate mood, there is a

cotenie of Thailand-watchers in

London who seem to believe that

Thai television ought to have shown

the king actually berating the general. Such treatment of General

Suchinda would have been totally

unacceptable in Thai cultural terms

and there would have been astonish-

ment among pro-democracy sup-

porters if anything of the kind had

DEREK TONKIN (Ambassador to

been broadcast.

Yours sincerely.

Thailand, 1986-9),

Heathfields. Berry Lane,

Worplesdon, Guildford, Surrey.

Yours faithfully, ROBERT M. WORCESTER

(Chairman, MORI), 32 Old Queen Street, SW1.

It is too early to say what we will be

Sir, As a result of the publicity surrounding the Market Research Society's enquiry into opinion polls, published on June 12, and compounded by your leading article of June 13 ("What the polls don't know"), it may pass into political folklore that "the polls always over-

the Conservatives". This is not true, but it will serve politicians to make believe it is from time to time, and we will no doubt be hearing them over and over again proclaim it in the future. In the past, it has just been the politicians who have promulgated these myths. Now, sadly, and in the face of evidence to the contrary, they will claim it is true because the Market Research Society says so. Included in the press release which

estimate Labour and underestimate

accompanied the MRS survey were the words "the Inquiry Team has identified a residual error which may well have existed in polls since 1959. This leads to an overestimate of the Labour vote by 1.5 to 2 per cent and a similar underestimate of the Conservative share". Yet their own report contradicted the words of their news release, as the report identified a "bias" of -0.8 per cent for the Conservatives and a "bias" of +1.4 per cent for Labour, averaging the difference between the final, eveof-poll polls and the actual result across the past ten elections.

The polls got it wrong in 1992 and the contention is that there has been a 30-year "persistent" bias favouring Labour. The "bias" (if it is that, and not just "late swing" or "differential turnout") over the nine previous elections is less than half of one per cent (-0.3 per cent) for the Tories and just over one per cent (+1.1 per cent) for Labour.

But if you take not 1959 to 1987 but the last five elections over the past 20 years, starting with the two elections in 1974, the so-called "bias" falls to only -0.2 per cent for the Tories and +0.2 per cent for Labour - in other words, just two people in a thousand. And if you take only the last three elections there is

intense efforts of privy councillors Thailand's image Professor Sanya Dharmasakhdi and From Mr Derek Tonkin General Prem Tinsulanonda to gain access to the king enabled him to understand the full horror of what Sir, You report (June 11) that the King of Thailand's decision to appoint Cambridge-educated Anand was happening; so much so that Panyacharun as Thailand's prime within a matter of hours, if not minutes, he had summoned General minister "would appear to go a long

failure to act quickly" after the recent bloody suppression of pro-democ-racy demonstrations in Bangkok. The notion that the king's image has been tarnished by appearing to act so tardily is not shared by any Thais I met in Bangkok after recent sad events. It is generally known that the king was so closely "guarded" during the recent troubles that he was effectively prevented from knowing at the time how brutally his army had dealt with the demonstrators. There was virtually no local television

way to restoring the image of a mon-

arch who had suffered badly for his

coverage until well after the events. However, the intervention of his daughter Princess Sirindhorn, who was at the time in Paris, and the

From the Director General of the

Sir. Economic development cannot

take place without supporting infra-

structure, in particular efficient transport. This point has been emphasised often in reports pro-

Nowhere is this interdependence

more in evidence than in the London

Docklands. Without adequate out-

side transport links, the Docklands

will not flourish. In this equation,

Canary Wharf is but one factor. The

private sector has invested massively in Docklands, and the government

has also invested substantially: for

example, the roadbuilding pro-gramme is the largest in the UK.

Much of this investment must be at

Institution of Civil Engineers

Docklands links

duced by this institution.

Construction of the Jubilee Line extension from Green Park to Stratford via Waterioo is therefore vitally important in restoring economic confidence in Docklands and ensuring its future viability. The Jubilee Line is a strategic link which will serve the emerging east Thames corridor and will enable passengers carried on the Channel numel highspeed link to reach their ultimate

destination quickly and easily. It would be a tragedy, and a source of regret, if this opportunity were to be lost through procrastination: an early start to the Jubilee Line extension is vital.

early April, the gist of which was that

as we were on a main thoroughfare.

and to minimise "sign clutter", we were unlikely to qualify for signage. I

sympathise with the desire to elimi-

nate clutter from our streets, but we

occupy a Grade I listed building and

are rightly much restricted as to what

signs may be displayed on the

Yours sincerely ROGER DOBSON, Director General, Institution of Civil Engineers. Great George Street, Westminster, SW1.

Lack of direction

From the Director of the Courtauld Institute Galleries

Sir. We are a new attraction in Westminster, offering the public an art collection of international renown. With encouragement from the London Tourist Board, we made a formal request last July to West-minster City Council for three pedestrian signs, in traditional brown and white, at strategic points by Temple Tube station and in The Strand, to direct those seeking to find us. We eventually received a reply in

green belt has been a success and any

new proposal will need skilled

examination: perhaps English Heri-

tage or the Royal Fine Art Com-

mission should be consulted before

any approval is given. It is very easy

to say no and not so easy to allow

development that is rare and un-

From Councillor Mrs Diana Stiles

Sir. Dismayed by the general stan-

dard of domestic architecture com-ing to our notice in planning applications, which seems either to

be pastiche of earlier styles or developers' "off-the-shelf" designs,

Yours faithfully.

June 9.

JOHN S. ANDERSON.

Grantham, Lincolnshire.

The Old Stables, Harston,

They arrange matters so much better in Paris and Madrid. Yours faithfully. DENNIS FARR, Director,

Courtauld Institute Galleries. Somerset House, Strand, WC2.

prizewinner to have the privilege of erecting the house on surplus agncultural land. By combining Brian Clouston's suggestion with our own we could perhaps achieve, at the end of the

the planning department in Lewes

has been toying with the idea of a national competition for a house of

innovative modern design - the

twentieth century, country houses in parkland as distinguished as those of our eminent predecessors. Yours faithfully, DIANA STYLES (Chairman, Planning Applications Committee

(South) Lewes District Council). l Alces Place. Firle Road. Seaford, East Sussex. June 10.

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Population as a priority after Rio

From Lady Medawar and others

Sir. The Earth summit is over: the problems it hardly touched remain. Every 100 hours, for example, there are one million more births than deaths in the world.

Whether or not the world achieves a biologically sustainable economy will be partly determined by the size of the global population when it stabilises. Whether the number of people will be twice or three times the current 5.6 billion will depend largely on how the unmet demand for family planning is tackled.

Family planning reduces maternal deaths, enhances the status of women and contributes immeasurably to the solution of environmental problems; but everywhere there are shortages of contraceptives, waiting lists for voluntary sterilisation and large numbers of unsafe abortions.

People all over the world want smaller families. The Earth summit could not meet their need. All the more reason why we must do everything we can to help them - and ourselves.

Yours faithfully, JEAN MEDAWAR. MALCOLM POTTS, JOHN GUILLEBAUD. Margaret Pyke Centre and Trust, 15 Bateman's Buildings, Soho Square, W1. June 15.

From Mr Eric Jeffs

Sir, Rio counts for nothing without a serious dialogue on population growth and family planning. Even if the population stabilises at double its present level, the consequences for the environment are far greater than

we have been prepared to consider. For example, the proposed treaty on forest management and conservation was bound to be an irrelevance when so much of the growing population of the Third World depends on firewood as its main source of

But consider the wider implications for energy supply of another five billion people in these countries. Many will be congregated in grossly polluted mega-cities, with a quasi-European life style: islands of high energy consumption in a sea of rural poverty.

In many of these countries power plant will have to be built to supply 2,500 billion kilowatt hours a year. It would need a minimum of 300,000 megawatts of new generating plant to be built — five times the present installed capacity in the UK - and probably much of it will be coal-fired plant of the most basic kind, of low efficiency and consequently high carbon dioxide emission.

Yours sincerely. ERIC JEFFS (European editor). Turbomachinery International. Teal, Moat Lane, Prestwood, Great Missenden, Buckinghamshire.

Death from smoking From Professor Richard Peto, FRS

Sir, Our recent report for the World Health Organisation ("Mortality from tobacco in developed countries", The Lancet, May 23) estimated that, in industrialised countries, tobacco is now causing about two million deaths a year, killing at least a third of those who smoke cigarettes regularly. But, Bernard Levin ("Rise of the cigarette police", June 1) seems to have based his long and vigorous attack on it chiefly on the mistaken belief that it attributed all the deaths of smokers to tobacco.

It did not: indeed, although those who smoke are more than twice as likely to die over the next few years as those who do not, it attributed fewer than half of their deaths to tobacco. Perhaps wisely, he attempts no other serious scientific criticisms.

Mr Levin claims to be taking up cudgels to defend "the most savagely persecuted minority in the contemporary advanced world: the smokers". Perhaps, however, the real defenders of smokers are those who provide clear and accurate information about the large risks, and the real persecutors are those in journalism or, particularly, in advertising who seek to obscure the medical evidence.

Yours faithfully, RICHARD PĒTŌ, Clinical Trial Service Unit. & ICRF Cancer Studies Unit. Radcliffe Infirmary. Oxford OX2 6HE. June 12.

Heavenly powers From Mr A. F. Prewett

Sir, Airline passengers will be relieved that the government has their safety at heart after reading the following extract from clause 10 of the 1992 finance bill: "... (3) This section shall apply in relation to aircraft as it applies in relation to vehicles and vessels but the power to stop and search in subsection (i) shall not be available in respect of aircraft

Yours faithfully, A. F. PREWETT (Deputy secretary), The Society of British Aerospace Companies, Ltd., 29 King Street, St James's, SW1.

which are airborne."

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WINDSOR CASTLE

June 15: The Queen, accompanied by The Duke of Edinburgh, Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, The Prince of Wales and The Duke of Kent, held a Chapter of the Most Noble Order of the Garter in the Throne Room. Windsor Castle at 12.15pm.

The following Knights Companion were also present: Sir Cenneydd Traherne, the Earl Waldegrave, the Lord Shackleton, the Marquess of Abergavenny, the Lord Wilson of Rievands, the Duke of Grafton, the Lord Elworthy, the Lord Hunt, the Duke of Norfolk, the Lord Lewin. the Lord Richardson of Duntis-Normanby, the Marquess of Normanby, the Lord Carrington, the Lord Cardiff, the Viscount Leverhulme, the Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, Lavinia, Duchess of Norfolk, the Duke of Wellington and Lord Reamail

The Officers of the Order were: The Bishop of Winchester (Prel-are), the Dean of Windsor (Register). Sir Colin Cole (Garter), the Marquess of Abergavenny (the Chancellor), Admiral Sir Richard Thomas (Black Rod) and Mr Hubert Chesshyre (Secretary).

The Queen invested Sir Edward

Heath, the Viscount Ridley and the Lord Sainsbury of Preston Candover with the Insignia of Knights Companion of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.
Her Majesty and His Royal
Highness later gave a luncheon

party.
The Installation Service was held in St George's Chapel this **BUCKINGHAM PALACE**

June 15: The Prince Edward this afternoon attended a performance of The Blue by Walk the Plank Marine Theatre Con-tractors on board MS Bjarkoy at South Quay Piaza, West India Docks, London E14.

His Royal Highness afterwards re-named the ship MS Fitzcarraldo. Lieutenant Colonel Sean

O'Dwyer was in attendance. The Prince Edward, Trustee of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Foundation, this evening attended a Dinner for the heads of Offices of the European Commission at St James's Palace.

Mrs Richard Warburton was in

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

June 15: The Princess Royal this morning opened the new Headquarters for Scottish Nuclear. Peel Park, East Kilbride and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Lanarkshire (Mr Hutchison Sneddon).

Her Royal Highness, President Save the Children Fund, this afternoon attended a meeting of the Save the Children Fund Scottish Council and a Business Lunch at the Moat House Hotel, Glasgow, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the City of Glasgow (Mr Robert Innes, the Rt Hon the Lord Provost).

The Princess Royal afterwards opened the new terminal building at Glasgow Airport and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Renfrewshire (Major David Makgill Crichton Maitland).

Her Royal Highness, President of Parrons, Crime Concern, this evening attended a Corporate Membership Scheme, National Westminster Hall, London EC2. Mrs David Bowes Lyon was in

KENSINGTON PALACE June 15: The Duchess of Glouces-ter today visited Wiltshire and was received on arrival by Major-Lord-Lieutenant of Wiltshire In the morning Her Royal Highness opened St Nicholas School, Malmesbury Road,

In the afternoon The Duchess of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, the Royal Irish Rangers, visited the First Banalion at Banlesbury Barracks, Warminster

Later Her Royal Highness at-tended a Service of Thanksgiving for the Restoration of the Parish Church of St James, Trowbridge, Miss Suzanne Mariand was in YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE June 15: The Duke of Kent, Colonel Scots Guards, this evening attended the Third Guards' Club Dinner at the Hyde Park Hotel, Knightsbridge, London

Captain the Hon Tom Coke



Robert Hardy, the actor, examining a new Magna Carta, with Jennifer Pitts, 9. yesterday at Runnymede, Surrey, site of the signing of the original Magna Carta 777 years ago. The new document, written by David Bellamy, the botanist, is an environmental charter dedicated to protecting the world's flora and fauna

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Arthur Meighan, prime minister of Canada 1920-21, 1926, Anderson, Ontario, 1874; Stan Laurel, comedian, Ulverston, Lancs, 1890.

DEATHS: John Churchill, 1st Duke of Mariborough, general, Windsor, 1722; Charles Sturt, explorer In Australia, Cheltenham, 1869; Elmer Perry, inventor of the gyroscopic compass, New York, 1930; Margaret Bondfield, trade union organiser and Minister of Labour 1929-31, Sanderstead, Surrey, 1953; Imre Nagy, premier of Hungary 1953-55, 1956, executed, Budapest, 1958; Harold Alexander, 1st Viscount Alexander of Tunis, field marshal, Governor-General of Canada 1946-52, 1969; John director-general of the BBC 1927-38, Edinburgh, 1971; Werner von Braun, rocket pioneer, Alexandria, Virginia, 1977. The first congress of the Soviets was held, 1917.

Princess Sanda Cantacuzi

Sanda Cantacuzino was cele-brated yesterday by Father Ulick Loring at the Church of Our Lady, Lisson Grove. Mr Andrew Ruhemann, grandson, read Psalm 23 and Mr Philip Ruhemann, grandson, read the esson. Father Loring gave an

Sir John Rothenstein

ther addresses and readings by Mr Bryan Robertson, Viscount

Today's royal Memorial services

Requiem Mass for Princess

A solemn mass was celebrated at Westminster Cathedral on June in memory of Sir John Rothenstein, attended by his family, friends and colleagues. Father Cronin officiated and there was an address by Monsigner O'Donochue and afterwards at l the Tate Gallery there were fur-Dunluce, Miss Corinne Bellow

engagements

The Duke of Kent will attend the annual Falkland Islands recep-tion at Lincoln's Inn Fields at

Princess Alexandra will attend a reception for members of the QARNNS at the Royal Navai Hospital, Gosport, at 3,05.

Hughes biplane goes on show

A vintage biplane that once belonged to the millionaire Howard Hughes is the latest exhibit at the Imperial War Museum at Duxford near Cambridge.

The British-built SE5a served with the US air corps in 1919-20 by Hughes in his air combat film Hells Angels. The SE5a was one of the outstanding aircraft of the first world war and the museum's example is painted and Mr Nicholas Serota, Director in the colours of 56 Squadron. RAF.

Prince fears salmon could die out in wild

THE wild Atlantic salmon's long-term survival is in jeopardy, the Prince of Wales said yesterday. There had been a drastic

decline on both sides of the Atlantic in salmon returning from the ocean to the rivers where they were born. "We can no longer take the survival of viable populations of salmon for granted," he said.

"There is still an enormous gap in our knowledge of the salmon with much of its life in coastal seas and the open seas a mystery," said the prince, who is a keen salmon angler. His warning was read to the said the reasons for the deopening session of the Inter- cline were complex, with national Atlantic Salmon many fish lost at sea.

Symposium in New Brunswick, Canada, by Sir David Nickson, chairman of the Atlantic Salmon Trust of which

the prince is patron.

Speaking for himself, Sir
David added: "Unless we can achieve some reversal in the decline of the Atlantic salmon .. our children and grandchildren will look back in

sadness and in anger, and reproach us that we did too little, too late, thus allowing this wonderful fish to disappear. He urged an end to of drift net fishing for salmon but

peal Tribunals, Medical Appeal of lack of rain a Tribunals and Disability Tri- the water table. bunals in the South Eastern region.

Mr Christopher Hardy to be a circuit judge assigned to the South Eastern circuit.

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Mr N.H. Fisher and Miss M.A. Martine shire and Mrs Audrey Martine, of Avnho. Northamptonshire.

72; Lord Perry of Walton, 71; Mr Emoch Powell, former MP, 90; and Miss SJ. Judge The engagement is announced between David, elder son of Mr Lord Richardson, 52: Sir Ralph Robins, chief executive, Rolls-Royce, 60: Professor Erich Segal, and Mrs M.C. Foot, of Henham, writer, 55; Sir Nigel Wicks, civil servant, 52; Mr Simon Williams, Essex, and Sarah, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs B.F.T. Judge, or Newsham, Cambridge.

Mr Neville Shulman, Vice-Presi-dent of the Rotary Club of London, presided at a luncheon held yesterday at the Marriott Hotel Miss Judy Weleminsky Director of the National Council for Voluntary Organisations, also spoke. Mr Nick Tarsh, Mr John Mr D.S. St J. Haughton Bird, Mr Kurt Oppenheum and Mr Michael Fenton were among the guests.

St John's School, Leatherhead

Luncheon

Rotary Chab of London

Birthdays

Lord Aberdare, 73; Mr Anthony Abrahams, former chairman, Harpur Trust. 69: Lord Astor of

Hever, 46: Miss Edeen Alkins, actress, 58: Lord Painck

Beresford, bloodstock agent, 58.

the Hon Neville Berry, 7S; Mr James Boiam, actor, 54; Mr T.W.

Graveney, cricketer, 65, Mr Stew-

art Griffith, former secretary. MCC. 78: Mr John Hadfield.

author and publisher, 85: Protes-

sor HJ. Hanham, vice-chan-

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Bishop of Leeds, 62; Mr Rodney

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Brothers, 56: Mr Neil Mac-

Gregor, director, National Gallery, 46: Professor Robert Manthews, master, Clare College,

Cambridge, 65. Sir John Peel, former MP, 80. Lord Pennock

today

The Governors of St John's School are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr C.H. Tongue, MA, who is at present Headmaster of Keil School, Dumbarton to be Headmaster of St John's School in succession to Mr David Brown, MA, who is to etire on December 31, 1992.

Norfolk Shrievalty

Mr Timothy Colman, Lord-Lieutenant, and Lady Mary Colman were hosts at a Dinner held last night at Blickling Hall to celebrate the Millennium of the Shrievalty. Nineteen former High Sheriffs with their wives attended. and the principal guests included Mr Justice Cazalet, Mr Anthony Duckworth-Chad, High Sheriff of Norfolk, and Mrs Brenda Ferris.

Church news Church of Scotland

Translations

The Rev Bruce McNicol from Cumbernauld Condornat to Ancrum with Edgerston with Jedburgh Old. Recizements

The Rev Peter Brown from Holm. The Rev Ernest M Scott from St Andrew's, Port Glasgow.

Appointments

Mrs Vivienne Bellau and Mr Godfrey Cole to be full-time Chairmen of Social Security Ap-

Forthcoming marriages

The engagement is announced between Robert, younger son of

the late Mr and Mrs Anthony Hingley, and Arabella, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey

Ballard, of Stanway, Cuichester,

and Miss A.C.L.M.1. Sparling

The engagement is announced

between Martin, son of the late

the Hon Sir David McNeill and

of Lady McNeill, of Ravelstone,

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hetween Adman, eldest son of Mr.

and Mrs R.E.O. Waddell, of

Corbridge, Northumberland, and Corinna, eldest daughter of Mr

JJ Percy, of Castletownshend, Co Cork and Killeenadeema, Co

Galway and Mrs J.D. Percy, of Greenfield, Hexham, North-

The marriage took place on Saturday, May 30, at St Mary's Church, Fordingbridge, of Chris-

topher Smith, only son of Mr and Mrs. Joseph. Smith, of North Leigh, Oxfordshire, and Julier

Duckworth, only daughter of Brigadier and Mrs Geoffrey Duckworth, of Bickian, Hamp-shire. The Rev Roger Stirrup

officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Jenna Montgomery, Victoria Clark. Henrietta Drever

and Harry Dreyer. Mr Ashley Jones and Mr Robin Totterman

A reception was held at The

Game Conservancy and the honcymoun is being speni in

were best men.

Marriage

Mr C.B.D. Smith and Miss J. Duckworth

Mr M.P.D. McNett

Mr J.M.B. Cavzer-Colvin

and Miss E. Tree
The engagement is announced between Jamie, only son of Mr Michael Colvin, MP, and the Hon Mrs Colvin, of Tangley. Hampshire, and Esther, younget daughter of Mr Michael and Lady Anne Tree, of Denhead St Mary, Dorset.

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, only son of Mr and Mrs James Fisher, of Sevenoaks, Kent, and Alexa, younger daughter of Mr James

Mr DAJ. Food

Mr D.R.C. Forsyth and Miss R.J. Golf

The engagement is announced between Dudley, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Douglas Forsyth. of Friangare Farm, East Sussex and The Alexandre Parkers and Paleston and The Algarye, and Rebecca, eider daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Golf, of Abingdon-on-Thames,

and Miss J.K. Maurice The engagement is announced between Dominic second son of Mr and Mrs Michael Haughton and Jenny, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Maurice, all of

Mr J. St J. Hemming and Miss J.A. Hassell Smith The engagement is announced between Julian, son of Mr and Mrs H.C. Hemming, of Northwich, Cheshire, and Jennifer Ann, daughter of Professor and Mrs A. Hassell. Smith, of Judges Drive, Norwich,

Water flow diverted to keep raft spider afloat

By ROBIN YOUNG

THE Suffolk Water Company has begun pumping more than 3,000 gallons of water an hour across Redgrave and Lopham Fen. on the border of Suffolk and Norfolk, as a life-saving support system for a colony of great raft spiders, the last in The water, about a tenth of

the output of the company's Redgrave treatment works, is being recycled through the fen in pipes to replenish the "spider pits" — some 40 pools in clearings among the reeds where the spiders perch with their front feet on the water surface waiting to detect movement and to capture prey such as water boatmen and small sticklebacks. The spiders are threatened with extinction in Britain because

Dr Roger Griffin, general manager of Suffolk Water

"By giving about a tenth back and recycling it through the spider pits we can keep maintain the water level the spiders require," he said.

water was taken from the fen.



The great raft spider

This is the second successive year the pumping has been required. Arthur the Suffolk Wildlife Trust, said: "The pumping will continue throughout the summer and we hope it will do the

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Jenus said: "Whoever receives this child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. For the least LONDON - On June 11th, to among you all is the Sarah unde Denham) and

BIRTHS BAKER - On June 4th. to Tracy (nee Fernie) and Nett. à daughter, Olivia Grace. BAMBER - On June 2nd 1992. to Bellinds (née Ward) and Roger, a third son, Finnian John Martyn, Thanks to all at Rosle Maternity Hospital, Cambridge.

BERNSTEIN - On June 11th 1992 at the General Hospital.
Jersey. to Martha (née
Pollecoff) and Julian. a son.
Johathar Bernard Mon.
BLARSHAND - On June Allt.
to Christine (née Oliver) and
Nigel, a son. James William
Reginald, a brother for
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DOMEAN - See Russell Cliver.

DOMEATY - On June 15th to
John and Helen (née
Williams), a daughter.

Alexandra and a son.

William. Many thanks to
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DRYDEE - On June 9th 1955.

to Christian (née Graham)
and Matthew. a son. Thomas
Andrew. a brother for
Alexander and Gabriella.

ERSKIMBE - On June 14th ERSKINE - On June 14th 1992, to Jūl. wife of Reverend the Honourable Michael Erskine, a son.

GALLOWAY - On June 13th. to Carolyn (née Harden) and Colin, a daughter. Zoe, a sister for Miles and Tanya. GENT - On May 30th 1992. to

HAMMOND - On June 14th.

HARE - On June 13th in Lyon, to Miretile and Michael, a son, Anthony Christian, a brother for Cédric.

HEDGES - On June 11th, at Queen Charlotte's, to Jane (nee MacQuitty) and Philip, a son, William Killingworth, a brother for Alicia.

HOWCROFT - On June 8th, to Judith thee Brett) and Paul, a daughter. Jessica Jane. Des Crastos. HOWELL - On June 12th, in Singapore, to Stephanic and Philip, a discontin.

HOY - On June 11th 1992, to William and Judy (nee Lea-Wilson), a daughter. Officia Emrua Rose Ewing, a sister OLIVER - See Russell Oliver. BURTHS

MAXWELL - On June 14th 1992. to Joanna (see Osbourn) and James, a son. Alexander Sheppard, a brother for Thomas and Lucy. MORGAN - On June 6th, to Susan thee McGaw) and Richard, a son, Oliver John Tyrrell de Riemer.

NUSSELL OLIVER - On June 11th, to Carta Russell and Andrew Oliver, a daughter, Alexandra Mylola Katharine

Simon - On June 11th, at Lindo Wing, St. Mary's, Paddington, to Anton and Tess toée Stopford, a son, Eugene Michael, a brother to Chartle and, always remembering, Harry. WATSON - On June 11th, to Mandy and Peter, a daughter, Victoria Rosemary Elembeth, a later for James.

WATSON - On June 3rd. to Sophia and Julian. a daugh-ler. Beatrice Teresa Arizona. 2nd, to Jane and Richard, a son, Sam.

YARROW - On June 14th 1992. to Carol (née Hawkins) and Norman. a daughter. Lucy Carol, a sister for Kalle. YOUNG - On June 15th, to Julia (née Bateman) and James. a daughter. Polity

DEATHS ADDISON - On June 11th

ADDISON - On June 11th 1992, after a long tilness. Susan Margaret Primrose, aged 51 years, beloved wife of Lt. Col Archie Addison, daughter of Professor and the late Mrs R.V. Jones, dear mother to Gigina and John and sister to Robert and Rosemary. Funeral Service at Strathdom Parish Church. Aberdeenshire, on Friday June 19th at 11.30 am followed by interment at Corgarff Cemetery. All friends respectfully invited. Flowers may be sent to Gordon and Watson Funeral Directors. Rosebank Place, Aberdeen.

ALFANIDER - On June 13th peacefully in hospital, Margaret, dearly loved wife of the late Alex Alexander and mother of Jose. Anthony. Martin and Jonathon. Funeral Service at the Chilterns Crematorium. Amerikam. on Friday June 19th at 11 o'tlock. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to The lain Rennie Hospice at Home c/o H.C. Crimstead Ltd.. Tubury House. Shepherds Lane, Resconsfield, Buclo.

MURRAY - On June 11th
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to the Princess Alice Hospice. to the Princess Alice Hospica. West End Lane. Esher.

ARMSTRONG - On June 13th Philip Bryan, aged 83, peacefully. Puneral Monday June 22nd at St James' Church. Papplewick at 11,15 am. Family Rowers only please. Domatices, if desired, to the Cancer Research Campaign.

CHISHOLM - On June 13th at home to Buenos Aires, Argentina, Cameron MacDonald, husband of Bettina, father of Jennifer. Heather and Amanda, stop-father of Luciana and Betina.

CLARABUT - On June 12th
1992. peacefully at Bowen
House, Padslow, Margaret
Agnes Mildred aged 100
years, formerly of Church
Cottage, Blisland, Daughter
of the late Canon Ernest
Claratul, Funeral Service at
Binstand Parish Church on
Monday June 22nd at 12
noon followed by interment
in the churchyard, Flowers
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Newcombe's Funeral Home.
Bucklers Lane, Holmbush, Si
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CHMINGHAM On June
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Tew. nr. Chippins, Norton.
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2.30 pm. No flowers please
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The Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital. Stanstead

DEFRATES - On June 14th 1992, at home, Michael John of Naseby, Northampion-shire, aged 54 years. Dearty loved husband of Nicola and son of Caude, Puneral Service at All Saints Church, Naseby, on Friday June 19th at 1.50 pm followed by cremation. All flowers to J. Stamp & Sons Funeral Directors, Markel Harborough, lel: (0653) 462824. RTZMALIAICE - On May 280

FIZUALIANCE On May 280: 1992, after a short lilness, at home in Maurilius, Patrick James, Jimmy, 56, cherished son of Betry and Jim, betoved husband of Betinda, father of Kim and Karen, grandfather of Charlotte, Sadly missed by all the family, Memorital Service for femily and friends June 21st at 4.30 pm Our Lady of Grace, Chiswick High Road. No flowers, Donations if wished to Cancer Research.

BULLOCK - On June 13th, peacefully in Tunbridge Weils, Dorts E.J. aged 87. Widow of Robert Arthur, mother of John and grandmother of Alistair and Robert. Funeral Service at the Tunbridge Weils Cramatorium on Tuesday June 23vd at 11.30 am. Flowers may be sent to E.R. Hickmott & Son. 41 Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Weils, tel: (0892) 522462.

GRANGE - On Friday June
12th 1992, Henry Charles
Kenneth, aged 31 years, a
beloved husband, son, son-in
law, grandson, brother and
friend, Funeral Service to be
held at the Surrey and
Sussex Crematorium on
Thursday June 18th at
11am, All friends welcome

GRIFFITHS - On June 12th GRIFFITHS - On June 12th 1992 at Puddletown, Dorset. Christopher James William, aged 33. suddenly and bravely in faith and peace, beloved husband, father and son, Funeral Service at St. Mary's Church, Puddletown, on Thursday June 19th at 2.30 pm followed by interment Flowers or donallous may be sent for Cancer Research c/o Crassby Funeral Service. 16 Princes Street, Dorsele, tel: (0306) 262338. DEATHS

HEWITT - On June 11th
1992, at Perpignan, South
France, Henry Linley of
Leighterton, Gloss. Leaves
wife Edith and son and
daughter. Funeral
Leighterton, 3 pm Friday
June 19th. No flowers, donaluces to Leighterton Church

JONES - On June 11th.
Ronald Gomer Jones C.V.O.
Loved dearly by his wife
Marise, daughter Nicola. Sonin-law Bill and grandchildren
Alexandra. Andrew and
Charlotte. Funeral on
Thursday June 18th at 5¢
Peter's Church. Ardingly.
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JONES - See Walford Jones.

KIMM - On June 13th 1992 KIMM - On June 13th 1992 in Emsworth the ete of Trinity Sunday, on which her beloved husband Gerald died in 1967) Kalle, aged 98. Dearly loved by her son Peter and his wife Colette and by her grandchildren and great-grandson. Funeral Service, St Thomas-a-Becket, Warblington, nr. Emsworth at 2.50 pm on Thursday June 18th. Enquiries to (0705) 486183.

LANGFORD - On June 13th 1992. In hospital. Colonel Richard Crawford (Dick) Langford R.A.M.C. red., beloved husband of Molly and Father of Charlotte. Funeral Service al the Church of St Mary and St Melor. Amesbury. on Friday June 19th at 3 pm. followed by interment at Tidworth Military Cemetery at 3.45 pm. Family flowers only.

MARISTY - On June 15th 1992. peacefully al St. Thomas' Hospital. Capitain Peter Forster Manisty. Royal Navy. Privale cremation. No flowers please Donations if desired to Friends of St. Thomas' Hospital. Renal Unit. Lambeth Palace Road. London SE1 7EH

MOORE - On June 14th, at home in Bexhill-on-Sea, Harriet Anne Moore inee Shaw, Beloved wife of Stephen. Cremation at Eastbourne on Monday June 22nd at 3 pm Flowers or donations if desired to Marie Curle Memorial Foundation c/o Mummery F/D. 31 Devonshire Road, Bexhill-on Sea.

ALEXANDER - On June 13th.
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Funeral Service at the west Suffolk Crematorium. Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, on Thursday June 18th et 12.45pm. No flowers. Donations if desired to St. Nicholas Hospice. Bury St. Edmunds. c/o W.A. Deacon. High Street, Lavenham. Suffolk. Street. Laveham. Suffolk.

PIKE - On June 14th 1992.
peacefully at home, George.
aged 76 years. Much loved
husband of Gabrielle. Late
Headmaster of Cothill
School. Funeral 12 noon
Friday June 19th at Dry
Sandford Church Family
flowers only donations if
destreed to The Scots Guards
Benevolent Fund.

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POYNDER - On June 12th
1992. Dorothy Jean (née
Saunders). much loved
mother of Jane and widow of
John. Cremation at 12 non
on Friday June 19th at
Worcester Crematorium. Worcesier Crematorium.

RAMSAY - On June 11th.
suddents George Damet.
dearly beloved husband of
Patricia. and father of
Malcolm. Nigel and Rosalind:
Fellow Emeritus of St
Edmund Hall. Oxford.
Funeral Service at St
Andrew's church. Linton
Road. Oxford. on Monday
June 22nd at 10 am By his
wish, there will be no
memorial service Enquiries
to E Carter. 107 South Avenue. Ablingdon. Oxon OX14
1QS: Tel 0235 5282931.

RAMSDEN - On June 14th

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RAMSDEN - On June 14th
1992. very peacefully in
hospital in Oxford, after a
short illiness. Ernestine Jessle
of Clouds Hill. Signet
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of the late Ernest Sharp and
Elizabeth Jessle Ramsden
and dearest sister of Hartley
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READWIN - On June 14th

Funeral private.

READWIN - On June 14th
1992. peacefully at King
Edward VII Hospital.
Vidhurst. Edgar Readwin
C B E aged 76 years Much
loved husband of Lesley, and
sadily missed father of Denys.
Michael and Anthony, and
by grandchildren and greatgrandchildren and greatgrandchildren Funeral
Service at Chichester
Crematorium on Thursday
June 16th at 11 am Family
flowers only please but
donallions if desired to "King
Edward VII Hospital" may be
sent c/o Reynolds Funeral
Service, 31 High Street.
Bognor Regis, West Sussex,
tel 102431 864748

SCHRODER - On June 14th SCHRODER - On June 14th 1992, peacefully at home in Curry Rivel. Somerset. John Heary Bruno. In his 67th year, beloved husband of Joan and father of Richard and Timothy. A Service of Thanksylving will be held at St Andrew's Church. Curry Rivel. on Monday June 22nd at 2.30 pm Enquiries and flowers c/o Forsey & Son. Pound Peol. Somerset.

SWAILES - On June 13th 1992. Alec. aged 80 husband of Anne. of Kirkby Stephen. Cremation at 12,40pm on Friday June 19th Caritsie Crematorium.

WALFORD JONES - On June
13th in hospital, aged 80.
James Walford, V.R.D.,
LDS of Henley-In-Arden,
Dearly loved husband of
Rosamund and beloved
brother, father and
grandfalher Memorial Service and interment of ashes,
Tanworth in-Arden,
Saturday June 20th 230
pm Donallons if desired to
Chest, Heart and Stroke
Association Whitecross
Street, London EC1Y 8JJ

WATSON - On Sunday June 14th. John (Artist) of Capel Ca) n y Mel. Fishquard. Wales and formerly of Wavendon, Bucks Funeral strictly private

REID - See Whitten.

SMITH - On June 12th, at home. Helen. sister of Willoughby and Director of Music at Hamford School. Childe Okeford. Blandford. Funeral Service at Bryanston School Church on Thursday June 18th at 11.30 am, Memorial Service at Hanford School Chapel at a later date. Enquiries to Colin J Close Funeral Directors. (0258) 453133.

STONE - On June 12th 1992, Ronald Stanley (Rocky), peacefully after a short illness, husband of Dorothy, father of Peier, Cremation to be held on Thursday June 18th. 3 pm. Parndon Wood Cremalorium. Family crematorium. Family flowers only Donations to SSAFA Enquiries to D.C. Poulton & Sons (0992) 572609

Association Whitecros Street, London EC1Y 8JJ

COOPER - Diana. June 16th 1986 Not a whit less missed by her old pal. Al WILKINSON - Saily loan 24/6/31 to 15/6/80 Forever and ever darling

SCHULKIND - On June 11th
1992. In peace, Jeanne.
mother of Lisa, much loved
friend. All enquiries (081)
674-6298

SMITH - On June 12th, at
home. Helen. sister of
Willoughby and Director of
Willoughby and Director of
Music at Hanford School.
Childe Okeford. Blandford.
Funeral Service at Bryamsion
Changle County and Thursday.

WILSON - On June 7th 1992.
Violet Emily, aged 82 years, beloved wife of the late Henry M.E. Wilson Dear mother of Pat. Brian and Susan. Devoted grandmother and greal-grandmother Service will be held at the Parish Church of SI Michael and St George, Fulwell, on Wednesday June 17th at 12 45 pm. followed by burial at Teddington Cemetery.

WINTER - On June 12th, at Guy's Hospital, London, George Henry, dearly loved husband of Amna and father husband of Amna and father of Catherine Funeral Service at the Parish Church of St. Nicholas, Chiswick, London W4, on Friday June 19th at 11 am with committal ail Poyntings Crimetery, East Sussex at 2pm Flowers and enquiries to W5 Bond, 127 High Road, Chiswick, London W4 2ED, tel: (081) 994-0277

> IN MEMORIAM -PRIVATE

BECKER - Harry Thomas Alfred 16/6/1892 to 5/3/81. Ex-MP. Twicken-ham, son of Sir Frederick and Lady Annie Becker Always loved and remem-bered by daughters and grandchildren in the USA

LEGAL NOTICES

WESTON - On June 12th.
Gladys May of Chorley-wood.
Herts., all Walford General
Hospital. Dear wife of
Norman. loving mother of
Richard and Angela and
greatly loved gran of Jo.
Paul. Victoria. Emma and
Kate. Funeral Sen loe at
Chillerns Crematorium.
Amersham, on Monday June
22nd at 2.30 pm. Flowers or
donations, if desired, to RNIB
c/o James Peddle Lid. 65
High Street. Rickmansworth.
Herts. (0928) 772013.

WHITTEN - On June 14th.

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(a) A linear or square measure containing 40 poles, a furlong or rood, from Medieval Latin quarentene: "A wood ten leagues long by six and two quarentenes HELIOLATER

QUARENTENE

(b) A sun-worshipper, from the Greek helios sun + latrein to worship: These patriarchal tribes have notions about an arkite idolatry and heliolatry, or a helio-daemonic worship." CUBATORY (b) Reclining, resting, lying down, recumbent, bence a dormitory, from the Latin cubatories, a chap who reclines: "You have caught me unprepared and

unready, and, not to put too fine a point on it, as you can see, distinctly cubatory, though not actually BRUMMAGEM

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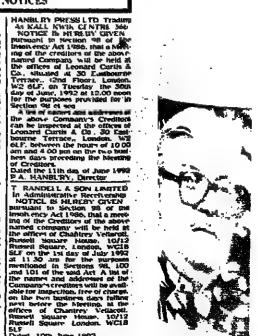
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OBITUARIES

Edwin Peel, professor of education in the University of Birmingham from 1950 to 1978 and president of the British Psychological Society in 1961-62, died on June 10 in Newcastleupon-Tyne aged 81. He was born on March 11, 1911.

EDWIN Peel was an educationist who demonstrated that psychological theories could give teachers an understanding of how their pupils learn and of how children's thinking and judgment develop throughout the course of schooling. His research on these themes was made known in the many papers he published in educational and psychological journals and in his three major books -The Psychological Basis of Educa-tion (1956), The Pupil's Thinking (1960), and The Nature of Adolescent Judgment (1971).

Mr. Chill with and Mrs. Children come ing the ways in which children come to understand the objects and events of their world was readily apparent in the traditional mass lecture, even in the traditional mass lecture, even in the traditional mass received if his use of visual aids and illustraif his use of visual atos and musica-tions presupposed perfect vision by those not in the first row of seats. It was in research supervision that he the state of the s the real way and true arrive at a contract the matter of the tion of what it is that determines the and thus arrive at a better appreciation of what it is that determined in achievements of their pupils. It manered little whether a student's academic background was in the sciences or humanities; his own Marie and M. Room, sciences or humanities; his own catholic range of interests enabled him to take any problem and apply home prohome proelucidate the processes underlying intellectual development.

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EDWIN PEEL



learning and was to become a standard text for many years, it was in Peel's later publications that his own creative thinking fully emerged, backed by a mass of empirical data. In The Pupil's Thinking he reported the first tranche of investigations carried out under his supervision at Birmingham. These were mainly directed at testing hypotheses generated by Piaget's models of the stages

of development and of the thought processes of children and

In doing this, Peel helped to introduce Piager's work to British educators, but he also pointed up some of the inadequacies of the logical framework postulated by Piaget. For example, the Swiss epistemologist's assignment of logically distinct levels of thinking to specific

chronological rather than mental age-groups did not accord with Peel's and other researchers' empirically-based investigations. The commitment to empirical testing was a feature of Peel's methodology and sprang from his training in the natural sciences and from his experiences as a teacher and applied psychologist. In his work on adolescents' and

young adults' thinking and their ability to make mature judgments. he chose tasks directly relevant to classroom teaching and learning. He showed how young people's judgments and explanations of problematical situations in science, history, geography, and literature could be analysed and categorised in broadly similar ways despite the diversity of content. All this was ultimately concerned with bringing about more effective thinking and action, and he was not averse to using such methods as "programmed learning" - the invention of behaviourists such as Skinner although he generally found the tenets of behaviourist psychology of little relevance to classroom teaching. Edwin Arthur Peel was born in

Liverpool and educated at Prince Henry's Grammar School, Otley, and then at Leeds University. After a period of teaching in London schools and wartime work in the Ministry of Supply from 1941 to 1945 he received his PhD from London University in 1945 and his DLit in 1961.

Posts at the London Institute of Education, at King's College, Newcastle, and at Durham University culminated in his appointment in 1948 as professor of educational psychology at Durham. He moved to Birmingham in 1950 to take up the chair in education.

REX McCANDLESS

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Under his leadership, Birmingham's already strong reputation in educational psychology was en-hanced. Although his own research focused upon the central themes of mainstream teaching and learning. he encouraged his colleagues' studies in the area of special education. encompassing the needs of children with specific learning, emotional, and behavioural difficulties. The first university-based course in Britain for teachers of blind children was set up in his department. These developments led to the establishment of a separate department of special education, covering the whole range of learning, emotional. behavioural, and sensory disabil-

As begetter or supporter of these advances he had the gift of allowing his appointees to take responsibility. to initiate change and to pursue their own lines of research. He was not a proponent of notions of university management that entail constant monitoring and appraisal of staff; for him, the pursuit of scholar-ship warranted a longer perspective or, to change the metaphor, a lighter rein. His colleagues and students

were the gainers.

His wife, Kathleen, brought a liveliness and spontaneity to social events at Birmingham, and she delighted in hearing and recounting reports of her husband's occasional bizarre behaviour - abruptly ending a staff meeting to rush home to direct the repair of a boiler, being challenged by suspicious American policemen for taking an evening stroll in an area where pedestrians were an alien species and being mistaken for the works' foreman during the building of the new School of Education. She predeceased him and they are survived by their two daughters and two sons.

COLONEL JOCK HARRISON

Colonel John "Jock" Harrison, OBE, a former military secretary of the New Zealand Army and comptroller of the governor gen-eral's household, died on May 25 aged 84. He was born on February 14,

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JOCK Harrison's death has broken another of the fastdiminishing direct links with the old pre-war Indian Army. An exceptional sportsman and mountaineer as well as a soldier, he was invited, in 1938, to join James Waller's expedition to Mount Masherbram in the Karakorum mountain range in Kashmir which at that time was still unconquered. He and his climbing companion Robin Hodgkin were turned back from the peak by bad weather, were then engulfed by an avalanche, dug their way out, and then spent 24 hours in a blizzard fighting their way down. Harrison had to be carried in a litter for a fortnight en route to Sringgar and to prolonged hospital treatment in India and

This incident put an end to his promising active soldier-ing career. He had been an adjutant in 1938 and was studying for the staff college but, having lost all his toes and half of all his lingers, he was no longer fit for active duty. He reported back to Delhi and was "remustered" into the Judge Advocate General's Department where he passed the necessary examinations and served as DJAG of the 11th Indian Division in Ceylon for most of the rest of

Jock Harrison spent his earliest years in Delhi and Simia where he first learned his natural history and develoned his love of mountains. After school at Dean Close he went to Sandhurst where he was King's Indian Cadet and had a distinguished athletic record.

In 1928 he was commissioned into the 8th Punjab Regiment and served with the 2nd Battalion where he was admired and respected. He achieved a reputation of being able to do every one else's job better than the incumbents could manage. Un-usually, this caused little resentment.

On the athletics track competitive environment, where standards were high, he was regarded as an outstanding performer. At one district sports event with plenty of effective competition from British and Indian units, he won the 100 yards, the 220, the 440, the hurdles, long jump, high jump and

iavelin events. He played hockey for the 2/8th, who won the Indian Army championships quite regularly and who provided five members of a 1938 tour of New Zealand. However, he was far from being a mere hearry. Among his many other interests he was a good natural historian and was well read.

He had married Mary Webb, a New Zealand girl who had helped to nurse him at Millbank; so, after 1947, there being no future for him in the post-position Indian in the post-partition Indian Army, he emigrated to New Zealand, wondering how he was going to support his family. He found that the New Zealand Army was looking for someone to work on a considerable reorganisation of structure and, to his sur-prise, he was offered the job. His protestation that he knew nothing of the New Zealand Army nor of any of its person-nel was regarded by the recruiters as a guarantee of his objectivity. This was a start to a long and happy New Zea-land association and after some seven years he retired from the post of military secretary with the rank of colonel, having been appointed OBE.

He was then invited to become military secretary and comptroller of the governor general's household. At the time of his appointment the governor general was Sir Willoughby Norris who was succeeded by Lord Cobham. Harrison served both of them over a period of some six years and during this time he played an important part in the planning and administration of the Queen Mother's visit in 1958.

On retirement from the

governor general's household he dropped into another natural slot, becoming bursar of the newly founded Cogham Outward Bound School and, on the collapse of the executive director, took over that job on a temporary basis which lasted for eight years until his final retirement when he was 62. He particularly enjoyed this last fling in his career which nicely linked his own spirit of adventure with his administrative skills in empathy with and service to spirited young New Zealanders. He was a most humane and lovable man who got on well with most people and particularly with the

young. His New Zealand experience was marred by the tragwife Mary and their daughter Kerri. He married secondly Jan Burton, whose first hus-band was killed at Anzio. She and his daughter Fiona survive him.

Harrison finally retired to Gloucestershire and latterly he was chairman, then president, of the 8th Puniab Regimental Association: an appropriate if round-about return to some of his roots, though he continued to visit New Zealand fairty regularly until his health failed.

Then the enemy showed his

What was the explanation of the relatively reduced activity during the past month over this

country by night? The German long-range bomber squadrons had been recuperating — and they had grown more cautious.

They had to. Let us not be so modest that we could not raise

a cheer for that. The percent-

age of night raiders brought

down in January was a

substantial improvement on

that of the previous six months.

New methods had begun to

take effect. April was more

than twice as good as January.

And May, although the total number of night raiders had

fallen off, gave a percentage of success which was four times

better than January. Air bat-

tles were quick at the time of combat — but air victory was

"Hold your courage firmly for future night blitzes, and try to

welcome at any rate the chance

NAT PIERCE

Nat Pierce, American jazz musician, died in Los Angeles on June 10 aged 66. He was born on July 16,

NAT Pierce's name was invariably top of the list whenever bandleaders were seeking a first-class and reliable planist or arranger. Renowned for his immaculate rhythm section skills and his knowledge of numerous jazz styles, he worked with the cream of the blg bands, in-cluding those of Woody Herman and Count Basie, and was also an accomplished small-group player. In the final decade and a half of his The orest fall? life he was the co-leader of his own highly regarded orches-

ira, the Capp-Pierce Juggemant. Rivert, was a first brille, Massachusens, and atthe North Was tended the New England sand the particlet Conservatory. He began his minute the second professional career during the war years. He was originally a beloop player by incli-

elefax () 7/ 7/2 pleaders of the modern jazz ship with Woody Herman in 1951. He toured with the band for the next four years. producing high-quality arrangements of such tunes as Horace Silver's hard bop piece "Opus de Funk". A second stint with Herman fol-



lowed in the years 1961-66. Besides his piano and arranging duties Pierce also took on the onerous job of road manintervals and Herman conintervals until the latter's death in 1987.

Throughout his career Pierce had an affinity with

the spare swing rhythms of Count Basic and could reproduce every nuance of his key board technique. Apart from producing scores for Basie's orchestra, Pierce led the rhythm section on the tribute album Sing A Song of Basie, made by the vocal trio, Lambert, Hendricks and Ross in 1957. When, in the mid-1970s, Basie was unable to

tour due to illness, Pierce took his place with the band. Earlier, he also deputised for two other influential leaders, Stan Kenton and Claude Thornhill. In December 1957 he was one of the central figures in a celebrated TV recording for

CBS. Entitled The Sound of Jazz, the show brought together a battalion of legendary names — among them, Basie, Billie Holiday, Ben Webster and Coleman Hawkins — for an informal studio session. Pierce was appointed arranger, supplying scores for a big band performance, while also appearing with a small group featuring Red Alien and Pee Wee Russell Launched with Pierce's uptempo composition "Open All Night", the programme won worldwide acclaim for its

formality and high musical Pierce settled in Los Angeles in 1971 and freelanced for Louie Bellson, Anita O'Day and Carmen McRae, among Others. As a sideman he was frequently to be heard on albums issued by the West Coast-based Concord label.

unusual combination of in-

In 1975 he joined forces with the ex-Kenton drummer Frankie Capp to form a big band which soon became known as the Capp-Pierce Juggernaut. The band's first album, a Basie-influenced live recording, enjoyed critical and commercial success It was followed by another live session, Live At The Century Plaza. With several players drawn from the classic big bands, the orchestra remained in existence up to the time of Pierce's death. It had been due to play several en-gagements in California in the coming weeks but, with fewer and fewer assignments to be had in Los Angeles, Pierce is said to have been in

enforced retirement by this He leaves a widow, Cathy.

Rex McCandless, inventor,

died on June 8 aged 77. He was born on May 21,

REX McCandless designed

motor cycles, cars and autogi-

ros. In the motorcycle field, his influence was all-pervasive and as significant as that of Alex Issigonis on the car. Yet he started with nothing, having left school at 13 and with his mother and brother Cromie been abandoned by his father, a farmer who had lost his all in the Depression. McCandless took jobs as a motor mechanic and an aircraft fitter before devoting himself, with Cromie, to their own business in 1943, repairing and developing cars and motorcycles. From this small beginning he acquired know-

ledge and experience that was

gradually to make him unri-

valled in his field. McCandless, an Ulster-man, had an abiding interest in the technical challenge of the motorcycle. Conscious that he would never be able to compete in terms of sheer engine power with the established large-scale racing motorcycle manufacturers of his day, McCandless decided to develop a frame and suspension system which would enable him to overcome a power deficiency by giving his riders handling and braking advan-

tages over the competition.

In 1950 the Norton Motorcycle Company, then coming under increasing pressure from the Italian racing teams led by Gilera and Moto Guzzi, was quick to adopt McCandless's frame design to its aging single-cylinder power unit. Immediately, the Norton grand prix motorcycle found a new lease of life and set the youthful Geoff Duke on his brilliant career. McCandless's frame design was so comfortable to ride that the new Norton came to be known as the "Featherbed", and motorcycle manufacturers world-wide adapted the principles of his invention to their road-going and racing production.

Lady Kaberry

has died in hospital in Harro-

gate, North Yorkshire, aged

of Adel

85. Her death occurs 14 months after that of her husband who was severely injured in a terrorist bomb LADY Kaberry of Adel, widattack at the Carlton Club, ow of Lord Kaberry of Adel,

London, in 1990. She is survived by three

on frame and suspension de-

signs based on technical prin-

McCandless proceeded to

take another leap forward by

introducing a unique stream-

lined motorcycle based on a lowered version of his Feath-

erbed frame, on which the

rider now kneeled rather than

sat. The Norton "Flying

Fish", as it was known, was

used to break a range of world

speed records in 1953 at

One of the riders engaged

for the successful speed

record attempt at Montihery

was Eric Oliver, a past world

champion sidecar rider, who

was quick to recognise the potential benefits of the "Fly-

ing Fish" concept to three-

wheeled racing. Within a few months Oliver had built a

motorcycle sidecar derivation

of the two-wheeled design

Montlhéry, in France.

which then became known as the "Kneeler", setting new standards in its field for more A quarter of a century later, the dominant Japanese motorcycle industry, too, relied than twenty years. Rex McCandless now ciples established by Rex

McCandless in the cockpit of his autogiro, which was to have sold at £1,000

joined the Ulster millionaire inventor Harry Ferguson who had been inspired by the work of another, older, creative motorcycle engineer, Freddie Dixon, the only man ever to have won TTs on two, three and four wheels. Like McCandless, Dixon was an empirical engineer. Before the war he evolved a fourwheel drive, steered and braked vehicle known as the "Crab". Ferguson used McCandless to breathe new life into what later became the successful Ferguson Formula

transmission system.
In 1959 Wing Commander Ken Wallis began to devel-op his autogiro, an aircraft offering many of the attributes of the much costlier and more complex helicopter. McCandless saw the autogiro - as did Wallis - as a means

Larry Riley

of bringing aerial transport to a wide market and an opportunity to achieve commercial success for himself. He built a number of suc-

cessful single-seater prototypes with the intention of marketing a production mod-el at £1,000. But his work was outshone by the equally dedicated Wallis and, hampered by much red tape, it never went into production. The first prototype of the autogiro was fitted with a modified Triumph motorcycle engine but the intention was to power production models with a VW Beetle engine. McCandless decided at last

to allow himself a well-earned rest and 15 years ago acquired a redundant railway station at Killough, Co. Down, where he dedicated himself to golf, the making of blackberry wine and the creation of a nature reserve.

He never married. His younger brother died earlier this year.

hospital in Los Angeles aged

LARRY Riley, who for live In 1982 he received an seasons played the attorney Frank Williams in the Ameri-Obie Award as best actor for his role in the off-Broadway show A Soldier's Play, a part can television soap opera Knots Landing, has died of he recreated for the movie A complications from Aids in Soldier's Story.

frustration by switching to night bombing, and there again, although be had given us an uncomfortable time, he had had his disappointments.

June 16 ON THIS DAY

Air Marshai Sir Victor Goddard (1897-1987) made several broadcasts on the air

to suggest that the Germans would be unlikely to capture Crete solely by airborne assault. In fact, they did precisely that and Goddard's remarks caused some misgiving and annoyance. This later broadcast gave him a chance to say that any opinions he expressed were

entirely his own. **MYSTERY OF NIGHT SKIES** AIR COMMODORE GODDARD ON NAZI CAUTION

Air Commodore R.V. Goddard, in a war commentary broadcast by the B.B.C. yes-terday, said: I want to remind you that

these talks of mine are per-

sonal, and the opinions

express in them are my own Nobody tells me what to say. I base them on information possess, and of course I have no business to make any prophecy
— especially about a battle on land I was wrong to do so about Crete, and wrong in the opinion I expressed. That opinion was not due to lack of proper appreciation of air power and air-borne forces, it was based on news which proved to be untrue. But I did not make the further mistake of saying that we were sure of holding Crete. What I did say was: "Grim it is, and grim it must be. But whatever the outcome, the invasion of Crete instead of Britain is, in truth, a measure of Nazi frustration.

There has been a good long measure of Nazi frustration since last August, he continued, despite their spectacular military successes. Our daylight sky over this country was dominated by ourselves. That was why we won the Battle of Britain last autumn in face of greatly superior numbers.

they give us of deciding who is to be master of our night skies." The best bombers were the bombers we were getting in Bomber Command — whether they were British or American make. They could and did defend themselves. It was a mistake to assume that the equipment which suited Blitzkrieg necessarily suited counter-Blitzkrieg. Instead of copying the Germans, we had taken the bolder course of suiting our equipment to our suring our equipment to our policy. He did not agree that our equipment had not suited our policy in Greece and Crete. The equipment was all right. but there was not enough of it. "If Greece and Crete do not appear glorious to you." Air Commodore Goddard said, "may I suggest you should ask yourself whether anyone but the British peoples would have had the guts and honour to go to fight in Greece against almost hopeless odds, when already hard-pressed and short

of equipment for their own needs in Egypt and beyond?

University news

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Professor R N Curnow and Mrs P A
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methods for toxicology.

Dr D S Mouram (Food Science and
Technology), £131,250 from ICA Madow
Foods Lid - flavour in novel fooods.

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Dr M A Lotinas (Blochemistry &
Provisiology), £467,785 from the Ministry
of Agriculture, Fisheries and Good milk protein project.

Dr M i Deadman (Agriculture),
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Mr T C Cornick (Construction Manage-ment & Engineering), £105,942 from the SERC/Sent Wilson Kirkpatrick

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Professor K Waswick (Cybernetics), E249,448 from the SERC/Monthel Associates Lid - SERC - Teaching Company Programme between University of Reading and Monthel Associates Lid. Professor F K Shina Engineering, E145,726 from the SERC/Adwest Regineering - SERC - Teaching Company between Adwest Engineering and the University of Reading.

Dr R T Gladwell (Blochemistry & Physiology), E143,000 from the Agricultural and Food Research Council molecular neurobilogy on the onset of puberty. puberty.

Professor R J Garney PUS - Geog-raphy), L130,000 from the Natural Environment Research Council - exi-mation of the surface radiation budget using main-lok remotely sensed data.

Sir Edwin Nixon, Deputy Chairman of National Westminster Bank, has been elected as Chairman of Council with effect from

Ancient glassworks discovered

some 1.3 metres high.

It was found this spring at furnace stood against one

another.

the heat. "This is arguably one of the

pared to medieval and later examples," Dr Henderson said. "The evidence for working fluid glass and for glass fusion on site make this one of

furnace had functioned in the Abbasid period, and agrees with evidence from royal residences that the industrial organisation was probably controlled by Harun al-Raschid (AD786-808).

BY NORMAN HAMMOND, ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

ONE of the most complete glassmaking furnaces dating from the ancient world has been discovered in Syria. From the reign of Harun-al-Raschid - the Caliph of Baghdad in the Arabian Nights — the furnace stands

Ragga during excavation of what Dr Julian Henderson of Sheffield University calls a 'glass tell", a mound buil, up from industrial debris that had been dumped around the manufacturing locus. The

wall of a room, with three ever found, even when comchambers one on top of "The top chamber was

built of brick, preserved up to where it curved into a dome." Dr Henderson said. A stoke hole for the lowest chamber, which stood on a square brick foundation, has also been found. The furnace was packed with charcoal when found; a small chamber next door had a baffle wall to protect the glass-worker from

most complete glass furnaces

the most important locations for glass technology in the ancient Islamic world." Samarra ware found in the excavations showed that the

Britain scraps nuclear weapons on ships

BY MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

TACTICAL nuclear weapons carried on Royal Navy surface ships and maritime aircraft are to be scrapped, Malcolm Rifkind, the defence secretary. announced yesterday.

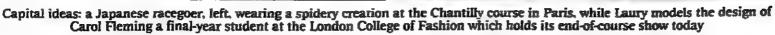
The unilateral move by Britain will reduce the stockpile of nuclear weapons by about 70. The systems involved are aging American depth charges and a mari-time version of the RAFs WE177 nuclear, free-fall bomb. The announcement yesterday came after a decision last autumn to stop deploying tactical nuclear weapons on warships in "normal circumstances". The number of RAF squadrons with a nuclear role was also cut from 11 to eight and the stockpile of RAF WE177 bombs reduced by half. Nuclear artillery shells and the Lance tactical missile system were also consigned to the scrapheap.

With the latest cutback in weapon systems, it means that Britain's nuclear deterrent will rely solely on the Polaris strategic missiles, which are to be replaced by Trident, and the remaining free-fall bombs, carried by RAF Tornadoes. The British bombs will be dismantled at the atomic weapons establishment at Aldermaston. The American depth bombs will be sent back to the US.

Defence sources said there would be no verification of the destruction of the weapons as the move was not part of any international treaty. After announcing the move in a Commons written reply, Mr Rifkind told a press conference: "The judgment has been reached that this particular capacity in the changed circumstances we now face does not add in any significant way to our security. Therefore it is safe to dispose of it in the knowledge that it will not reduce the security of our national interest."

A spokesman for the ministry denied that the timing of the announcement was connected to the Washington summit between President Bush and President Yeltsin of Russia. They are expected to sign a new agreement to make bigger cuts in strategic missiles.





Woman appointed to sing America's praises

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

her new job is ill-defined. "It's

a strange title," she told The

Washington Post. "All the

general public knows is En-

gland's long, long tradition of

having a poet laureate, with

each staying in the post until he dies. Whereas we, in our

weird American way, have a

new laureate every year. I find

in the newness of the Ameri-

can title, created six years ago

as an upgraded version of the

post of poetry consultant to

the library. Some still regard

it with some suspicion, seeing

it as a potential threat to

integrity should poets, in the

words of one, be required to

"write celebrations for sani-

Bill Wadsworth, executive

director of the Academy of

American Poets, said: "The

feeling in literary circles was

that the laureateship was gen-

erated by politicians, not po-

ets. and was too closely asso-

ciated with the monarchy."

In fact successive American

poet laureates have been left

to versify at will. However Ms

Van Duyn decides to inter-

pret her role, her main duty

will be to select poets to read

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CUBATORY

a. A farlong b. Four hundred years

c. A four-masted barque

WOED-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

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AA ROADWATCH

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AA Roadwatch is charged at 36p per

LIGHTING-UP TIMES

London 9.20 pm to 4.43 am Bristol 9.30 pm to 4.53 am Edinburgh 10.01 pm to 4.26 am Manchester 9.40 pm to 4.39 am

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 27C (81F), min 6pm to 6am, 16C (61F) Humohty. 6pm, 41 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, nt. Sun. 24hr to 6pm, 14 8hr. Ber, mean sea level, 6pm, 1,020.2 millibers, falling

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it very hard to explain."

AMERICA for the first time has a woman poet laureate. She is Mona Van Duyn. 71, a Pulitzer prizewinner celebrated for her wit and compassion. Many people had expected the Library of Congress again to choose a man for the annual post but, as Ms Van Duyn observes in one of her couplets:

The world's perverse, but it could have been worse. She takes up a post described by Joseph Brodsky. the Russian emigre previous incumbent, as "ill-paid, illdefined and ultimately ill-executed". Yet, compared to the job of British poet laureate, Ms Van Duyn (her surname rhymes with Alexandrine), from St Louis, Missouri, may seem to have an easy task.
She is paid \$35,000

(£19,000) for the year, may commute to Washington to perform her duties and. above all, does not have to produce verse for presidential birthdays or other occasions unless she wants to. Judging by her earlier work, revolving around her marriage and daily life, she will not.

Ms Van Duyn, who has published six volumes of poetry, the first in 1956, admits at the library.

Major attacks Tory rebels

Continued from page 1 erendum, became clearer. In effect, that could mean that the bill's reintroduction will be delayed until the autumn or even later. According to the MPs present Mr Major, who returned from the Rio summit at the weekend, was not 'spitting blood" but he surprised some with the strength of his feeling. Some admitted that they regretted signing

the motion. Sir Norman Fowler, the Tory chairman, was also at the lunch. Some MPs are known to have told him of their opposition at the reappointment of Jacques Delors. the commission president. Mr Major told the new intake that there was little alternative to backing another term for M Delcrs. Government sources said later that the only possible other candidate. Martin Bangemann, was an even more avowed federalist.

Mr Major told the rebels that the publicity given last week and the week before about divisions in the Tory party might "box me in" in future talks in Europe.

As Mr Major pondered future moves over Europe, in Luxembourg the richer EC countries resisted demands by the poorer states - including Ireland — for an EC of EC foreign ministers Irish officials issued a warning that. failure to meet Dublin's requests could boost the "no" vote in Thursday's referendum on Maastricht.

M Delors last night backpedalled on his proposal for a 30 per cent budget increase. saying the increase could be stretched over seven years. Bu: Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, criticised plans for a huge increase in regional spending. He told David Andrews, the Irish foreign minister, that aid to the poorer nations could be achieved within existing budget guidelines and without an increase in overall spending.

Emboldened by indications that Mr Major wants to "tough it out" over Maastricht the Tory rebeis last night broadened their offensive by turning their attention to the economy and Britain's membership of the European exchange-rate mechanism.

With concern growing in Tory circles about the fading prospects of recovery, the executive of the Conservative European Reform Group. which claims a membership of 85 Tory MPs, called for a sharp reduction in interest rates - perhaps 3 or 4 per cent - plus possible UK withdrawal from the ERM.

contrary to Tory principles and common sense to base economic policy on an artificial level for the currency. It gave a warning that if Maastricht was implemented Brit-ain would lose its present freedom of action to withdraw from the ERM. Sir Teddy Taylor, the group's secretary, said: "The present economic misery would be justified if we could see any

meaningful or identifiable

benefit coming from it. How-

ever, the ERM appears to be

creating misery for no good reason whatsoever." The committee issued a statement highlighting the danger of a "double dip" recession under the pressure of mounting public borrowing and balance of payments def icits. Its criticisms of government economic policy will be put to a full meeting of the

group next week. Angerwas also expressed at the likelihood of Britain backing the retention of M Delors. Tony Mariow, Tory MP for Northampton North, said that "would be as sensible as reappointing Napoleon as emperor after the battle of

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Political sketch

A pudding to feed the Kurds

Teil Kinnock was not at Westminster to sneer at Mr Major's Earth summit report. He sent his deputy. Roy Hattersley. For a deputy-sneerer Hattersley did well — indeed the PM ond well — mored the PM
paid tribute: "graceless and
ill-informed," he called
Hattersley's contribution.
Roy looked chuffed at the
compliment.

Labour's deputy leader was flanked by two blonde women, fortysomething, both coiffed and dressed somewhat in the manner of maturing Lufthansa airhostesses. One was Ann Taylor, the other Ann Clwyd: one is Labour's environment spokesman, the other overseas aid spokesman. Observers often forget which Ann is which and which does what. One is reminded of current litigation between the makers of Barbie doll and the makers of Cindy doll. Barbie's people are suing Cindy's people, claiming that Cindy's recent change from brunette to Barbiesque blonde confuses children and infringes Barbie's copyright. Cindy's people reply that she is easily distinguishable from Barbie; besides, unlike Barbie, Cindy has just got engaged to

Mr Hattersley does not invite comparisons with Ken. For the male doll one expects something more in the Action Man mould. which can be undressed. like Paddy Ashdown.

It may be that Roy Hattersley can be undressed, but the temptation is not strong.

His remarks about the need for all of us in the West to consume less were intriguing. Perhaps Mr Hattersley is planning to donate one of his puddings to feed a small village for three weeks in Kurdistan?

He could be joined by the ample Robert Key, a new minister in the new nat-ional heritage department, answering questions for the first time yesterday. Dennis Skinner (Lab. Bolsover) had asked when ministers would visit Bolsover castle and Ogston reservoir. Skinner traduced his own Derbyshire heritage by pronouncing it reserveah. He must know that his electors say reservoya. Your sketchwriter once

corrected a Derbyshire farmer, "It's vwzh," I said, "not www. How would you pronounce a-b-a-t-t-o-i-r?" 'Slaughter'ouse," he

Informed that Mr Key

AM:

did hope to visit the reservath one day. Skinner nodded grimly. "Good." he said. "it's deep. Deep enough to submerge a big fat minister".

Unable to resist a Derby shire scrap. Edwina Currie (C. S Derbys) piled in. Why not lock Dennis Skinner up in a cell in Bolsover castle she asked sweetly? Then tourists could watch him making an exhibition of himself in his own

constituency.

Heritage questions were shaping up well. Naturally they included a discussion of a key part of our heritage, football hooliganism. Michael Neubert (C. Romford) lashed out at "empty-headed, beer-bellied louts". constituency. prompting worried glances from his own side, until it became plain he was talk-ing about Malmo.

David Mellor, the new ecretary of state and MP for Putney, had opened the session with a plea that heritage be treated as truly national, "with the minimum of partisan argument". From one of the most vicious shin-kickers in British politics, that came rich. Mark Fisher, his Labour shadow, replied that he could not promise to avoid hostilities. For the most amiable sweetie-pic on the Opposition benches, that sounded hopeful.

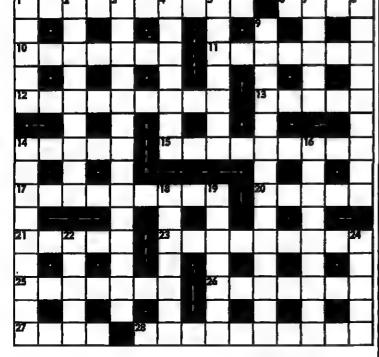
Mr Fisher, who sits be-low my perch, had been sunbathing. His shiny eggshell-smooth pate has eggsneir-smooth pate has turned from palest alabas-ter to Goldenlay free-range brown. With such a target in his sights, Mellor dropped his resolution to be nice and flew at the under-promoted Fisher. eackling that he'd gladly fight him, if that would help him get into the Shadov Cabinet. Then he turned to Labour's Roland Boyes, a keen photographer who had asked arts ministers to spare a thought for young photographers. How self-less of Boyes, said Mellor. to exclude himself.

Later, bored with attacking the enemy, Mellor attacked his own side, telling Chester's (TV's? Radio 2's?) Gyles Brandreth, whom Madam Speaker had just failed to recognise (women can be so cruel!) that Brandreth was right to mention the importance of amateurs in the arts.

Smiling like a crocodile, Mellor added that amateurs were useful in poli-

MATTHEW PARRIS

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,946



ACROSS

- I This variety of spider-crab is a
- 6 Bullies in yachting resort reported (4).
- 10 Personal elevators, perhaps (7). 11 Still remains to be seen, his
- charge (7). 12 Daisy is one to settle it inside (9). 13 Flounder found in sock (5).
- 14 Sort of case put in the picture? (5) 15 One sets off too ardent, wandering (9).
- 17 A way to travel without using handle? (9).
- 20 Make proud Egyptian leader defunct (5). 21 Not fitting, it crushes the pile! (5).
- 23 Check lines of impenetrable study (5-4).

Solution to Puzzle No 18.945



- 25 "One fixes a ser" shock centre court feature (7).
- 26 Capital sometimes illuminated?
- 27 Single by England's opener, an
- 28 Superiority of ornamental candy-canes (10).

- 1 Tiger Tim was so rich! (5). 2 Unsuccessful counter of woolly jumpers? (9).
- 3 Featherweight contests before retiring? (6-8).
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- 7 Excel in fête champêtre (5). 8 Not entirely certain to require an
- excessive sum (9). 9 Self-possession for which Des-cartes is remembered? (8,2,4).
- 14 UK subject abroad uses this
- mixture in pipe (9). 16 His deliveries are pathetic! (9).
- 18 Where French may abandon rash incentive? (7).
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- 22 A way north of birds (5). 24 Departs with associate to waste

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British Coal should not be broken up and sold in bits and pieces, but much could be gained from privatising it as a single entity, John Meads writes Page 23

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John Clark has taken the axe to several financial and operational items at BET. The 1992 dividend is cut

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Invesco chief refuses to back Maxwell lifeboat

BY NEIL BENNETT BANKING CORRESPONDENT

LORD Stevens of Ludgate, the chairman of Invesco MIM, the fund manager that handled more than £50 million of the Mirror pension fund, says he feels no moral obligation to donate funds to the new Maxwell pensioners' charity.

In a second blow to the government's hopes that City firms and institutions would donate large sums to help the 32,000 Maxwell pensioners, Andrew Hugh Smith, chairman of the Stock Exchange, also said it would not contribute to the funds because it had not benefited from any of the publisher's share dealings. Last

weekend. Sir John Cuckney was appointed chairman of the new charity and given the task of persuading City institutions that profited from doing business with Robert

After Invesco's annual meeting, however. Lord Stevens underlined his opposition to the fundraising project. He said: "It is premature to start making voluntary contributions before we find out where the pension fund assets are. Moral obligations belong elsewhere, not with us. Our fees were relatively small. My moral obligation is to my shareholders. We managed two pension funds for Maxwell companies, one of which is wholly intact and the Mirror fund, which is almost intact. In the light of

what happened, this is a remarkable

achievement." In his speech to shareholders, Lord Stevens confirmed that Invesco had been served with a writ by the trustees of the Mirror Group pension scheme. This, he said, was claiming £280,000 with a contingent claim of more than £11 million plus damages. The trustees claim that Invesco broke fund management agreements by allowing stock lending to take place.

"In our view, the writ has no merit. We have acted at all times in accordance with the instructions of the trustees. Your board intends to vigorously contest this action,"

Invesco managed £53 million of the

at Taurus

By Jon Ashworth

THE cost of developing the

Taurus paperiess share trad-

ing system had soared to £25

million by the end of March.

according to latest figures

from the Stock Exchange.

The increase, from £14 mil-

lion the previous year, is likely

to anger broking houses who

contribute to the cost through

Tighter cost controls help-

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Taurus has cost £47 million

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Peter Rawlins, chief execu-

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Mirror pension fund, and was asked by the fund to transfer assets back to the Common Investment Fund, the pool of the Maxwell pension funds, at various stages last year. After Mr Maxwell's death, £11.3 million of the money was returned to it. although the ownership of the funds may now be contested by the other pension funds. Lord Stevens said, however, that all but £280,000 had been returned to the

Mirror pension fund trustees. He said the group had often had conflicting instructions about the pension funds from Maxwell's organisation. "We just assumed his administration was lousy." he said. The other Maxwell pension funds were large shareholders in Invesco, but

Lord Stevens admitted that ownership of the shares changed regularly.

Shareholders at the meeting questioned Lord Stevens repeatedly about Invesco's directors' salaries and about a £3.6 million exceptional provision on the value of the

group's employee share option trust. Later, Lord Stevens admitted that the Maxwell affair was damaging the confidence of Invesco's clients. "All bad publicity upsets people," he said. But he added that the group was continuing to win business in Europe and the Far East,

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EC payment takes trade gap to £2.6bn

BY COLIN NARBROUGH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

HOPES that a bigger surplus on invisible trade would offset the persistent deficit on Britain's visible trade were dashed with the publication yesterday of the current account data for the first quarter.

The official figures showed heavy downward revisions to invisible earnings in both the first quarter this year and the final quarter of last year. In-stead of the projected £900 million invisibles surplus in the first quarter, the surplus is now estimated at £430 million. The surplus for the previous quarter was shaved to £1.14 billion from an original £1.92 billion.

The changes mainly reflected a £1 billion government transfer to the European Community in the first quarter and a large corporate-reporting error in the fourth quarter last year. This widened the current account deffcit disturbingly to £2.64 billion for the opening three months of this year, despite **20. TEC**ES deficit had previously been estimated at £2.17 billion. The first quarter compared with a current account deficit of £1.42 billion in the previous quarter and matched the £2.64 billion in the first quar-

ter of last year. British Invisibles, the lobby group, said that overseas earnings from private sector service industries totalled £8 billion in the first quarter, an overall rise of 9 per cent

STEPHEN Littlechlid, the

director general of electricity

regulation, has been forced to

step into the row over soaring

electricity profits after East

Midlands Electricity reported

pre-tax profits 41 per cent

higher at £150 million in the

Professor Littlechild said:

"Companies have certainly

made large profits — larger than was expected when the

government set the price con-

trols. I can well understand

customers' concerns about

year to end-March.

against the same period last year. Earnings from travel and civil aviation were up an annual 13 and 32 per cent respectively, while financial and other services improved 7 per cent. Despite higher earnings, the private sector surplus on services fell to £1.61 billion in the first quarter, an

annual drop of 4 per cent.
Alison Wright, director general of British Invisibles, said the private sector invisibles surplus has remained steady, despite the disappointing overall balance. The deterioration in the overall balance mainly reflects higher payments to European Community institutions," she said.

Simon Briscoe, economist at Midland Montagu, said the invisibles were still showing a "worrying trend", despite the one-off factors behind the large revisions. He said the lower invisibles figures would depress projections for the coming months, making Britain's current account deficit look worse. The Treasury made clear

that the downward revision in the first quarter had not been unexpected, given the boost large rebates from Brussels had given to the invisibles surplus in the previous quarter. Government statisticians appear unable to build the timing of tranfers to and from the Community into the official projections for invisibles. The revision to the fourth quarter of last year was attrib-

Regulator warns power firms

By MARTIN WALLER

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This year price increases for

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The visible trade element of the data, already available from monthly figures. showed the deficit widening to £3.01 billion in the first quarter, about £500 million up on the previous quarter and slightly above the first quarter last year. The new figures mean that the current account deficit for the whole of last year stands at £5.2 billion, still the smallest since 1987 but about £800 million

above the previous estimate. Annualised, the first-quarter figures would give a current account deficit of more than £11 billion. Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, forecast a deficit of £6.5 billion in

Gordon Brown, the shadment and jobs.

on government finances should be evident in Treasury figures out today on the public sector borrowing require-

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no cause for alarm in the

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increase last year as "a blip." He said: "The 40 per cent

isn't the norm. If 40 per cent

increases in profits were liable

to be increased year in and

year out, I think there would

be a legitimate case for re-

formula.

Start-up Death knell for County NatWest costs soar

Topping up spending: Peter Rawlins(left) and Sir Andrew Hugh Smith, chairman of the Stock Exchange

BY OUR BANKING CORRESPONDENT

NATIONAL Westminster Bank has spelled the end of County NatWest, its investment banking subsidiary, by removing the firm's main equity trading and sales operations and merging it with the bank's treasury and capital markets business.

The move leaves County with a rump of businesses. including corporate finance, asset management and venture capital, and effectively finishes it as a City force. The reorganisation is part of reforms at NatWest which are being overseen by Derek Wanless, the new chief executive. The bank is creating NatWest Markets, a division which will combine all the bank's corporate, institution-

al and investment business. Mr Wanless decided to dismantle County to give the bank tighter control over the securities business. Martin Owen, the group treasurer, has been promoted to chief executive of NatWest Markets and will report directly to

Mr Wanless, who denied the reshuffle was a prelude to cutbacks in the equities business, which he said had been improving in the past 18 months.

NatWest's action follows years of uncertainty at County. The investment bank expanded into one of the City's largest firms in the months before Big Bang but its reputation was dealt a mortal blow by the Blue Arrow scandal of 1987. Disappointing results

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End of a Lotus dream machine

By Ross Tieman industrial correspondent

LOTUS Cars. Britain's leading sports car maker, has abandoned efforts to return to volume production after losing tens of millions of pounds in the process. The company will today cease production of its Elan model, launched little more than two years ago. Only

3,857 have been built. More than 300 workers at the company's plant at Hethel, near Norwich, Norfolk, will lose jobs. The company will be reduced to 200 employees, building a single model, the Esprit supercar, in a few hundred examples a year. Arnold, president of Club Lotus — the Lotus owners' club -- called the move "an act of vandalism on the British sports car industry. I think it is the first stage in

the winding up of Lotus Cars." He added: "The Elan M100 was the most significant sports car to be produced in Britain for decades. "It's absolutely incredible. You run out of courage before the car runs out of cornering

The decision is a severe blow to the



Elan: sales flopped

bought Group Lotus, the Lotus Cars parent company, with an eye to obtaining a sporting flagship for its range worldwide. In 1987, GM backed an investment of £54 million in Lotus. Most of the money was spent on the Elan. With a planned production run of 3,000 a year, and a price of £20,000 to £25,000, the Elan was supposed to be the dream-machine of the boy racer worldwide. But sales in the key American market, which was expected to take

a third of all production, were a bitter disappointment. Last year Lotus sold only 2,200 cars. Since some 500 of those were the larger Esprit supercar, volumes of Elan were ambitions of General Motors, which little more than half of those expected.

In the autumn, Lotus declared more than 300 job losses. Adrian Palmer, Lotus's managing di-

rector, blamed an "extraordinary combination of adverse economic factors." He said the car's launch had co-incided with an unforseen recession of unprecedented depth and duration in all of the car's key markets. "We will be contact-ing owners to emphasise our commitment to them and to the provision of ongoing service support for their cars," said Mr Palmer. But he accepted some dealers might abandon the Lotus marriue and sell other cars.

He added Lotus Cars had been losing money for many years, and losses on the Elan had been particularly high because production volumes had been too small. With output reduced to the profitable Esprit, Lotus Cars should make a profit. The company would like to introduce a four-door model one day, if funds permitted. Despite its withdrawal from volume car production, Group Lotus will remain a leading technology development company. In the meantime Mr Palmer, supported by his owners in Detroit, will seek a buyer for the Elan production line.

BET restructuring forces profits down to £18.5m

By George Sivell

BET, the business services conglomerate, suffered a sharp fall in pre-tax profits last year as John Clark, the new chief executive, and Robert Mackenzie, the finance director, reorganised the business and introduced more conser-

vative accounting policies.

The total dividend for the year to end March falls from 13.25p to 6.5p on earnings which shrank from 18.5p to losses of 0.9p. But Mr Clark said of the cut. This rebases it to a sustainable level, from which it could reasonably be expected to progress in the future while retaining the

Airbus profit soars

Airbus Industrie, the Europe-an aircraft consortium, made an operating profit of \$267 million last year, up from about \$100 million in 1990.

An Airbus spokesman said Airbus had received orders for 17 aircraft worth about \$1.2 billion this year and predicted profitability for "the next few years". In January this year, Airbus said it aimed to book 145 aircraft orders this year, compared with 101 last year and 404 in 1990.

Airbus officials said this week that they would decide later in the year whether to launch the 124-seat A319

They said the consortium would review the marketing of the new plane in the autumn in order for a decision to be taken for the craft to enter

Park quits

Stephen Park is to leave Hanson, which he joined in 1981 and of which he is an alternate director and senior financial assistant to Lord Hanson, to join Sears as group finance di-rector. John Lovering, Sears' current finance director, has been appointed managing di-rector of corporate development and international operations, with effect from

Joint power

Southern Electric, the distrib utor, is teaming up with Phillips Petroleum in an equally divided joint venture to buy and market gas. The move swells to 15 the number of competitors to British Gas. half a dozen involving regional electricity companies. Initially, it will mean bidding for gas supplies from British Gas.

ability to fund the growth potential of BET on shareholders behalf.

Dealers reacted to the fall in pre-tax profits from £217 million to £18.5 million by marking the shares down 5p to 135p. Analysts were heartened by BET's new account-ing policy, reduction of debt, and cashflow but disappointed by current trading.

For the immediate future Mr Clark says there is "a glimmer in the US represented by early warning indicators such as hiring of temporary personnel and plant hire. But in the UK we have seen nothing that says business will be more than it

Stockbrokers forecast a recovery in pre-tax profits to around £130 million in the current year and a slight increase in the dividend to 7.25p to 7.5p. Debts were reduced from £425 million to £107 million over the year and BET managed to cut £62 million of annual costs.

Of £90 million of exceptional items taken before the pretax figure was struck. £55 million went on reorganisation costs, reducing the total number employed by the group from 124,000 to 104,000, £55 million went on

writing down asset values in line with a more conservative depreciation policy. A further £14.5 million was written off for charges previously de-ferred by the group. But £34.3 million was set against the exceptional charges.

BET managed to save money by cutting stock levels from £149 million to £78 million and reduced the amount owed by the group's debtors from £553 million to £431 million. Net capital expenditure fell to £34 million (£140 million). Trading profit fell from £280 million to £146 million,

sold, such as Biffa, the waste management company. Of the group's main operating divisions textile services suffered both in the UK and America with operating profit falling to £52.8 million (£84.5 million). Cleaning services held up at £24 million.

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businesses which have been

Security services held steady at £15 million. British electronic security increased market share. But plant services dived from £63.5 million to E31.6 million. BET blamed overcapacity in rental equip-ment and intense competition.

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Streamlined policies: John Clarke, chief executive, thinks his reorganisation will give BET growth potential

Hamilton urges faith in Lloyd's

BY OUR CITY STAPE

NEIL Hamilton, the corporate affairs minister, said there was every reason for confidence in the Lloyd's of London insurance market, expected to announce the worst overall losses in its 300-year history.

Next work Linyd's will have its AGM and will report a very large loss. Mr Hamilton told delegates to the World Insurance Congress in London. "None the less there is every reason for confidence is every reason for confidence." in this great institution." He said confidence was vital for the market, its backers, its bankers and policyholders. Lloyd's is expected to unwil a loss of £2 billion for 1989, its most recent complete year under its three-year account

ing system.

Mr Hamilton said Lloyd's customers remained loyal to Lloyd's, the world's largest single insurance market.
"because of the service it provides, its ability to tackle big exposures and to give underwriting decisions in a matter of days, not weeks.
He said a recent report by

Hoare Govert, the stockbro-ker, showed the strength of Lloyd's solvency compared with other insurers.

The unique service Lloyd's provides, its financial strength and the harder market now evident are the ingredients of a return to profitability at Lioyd's we all want to see." Mr Hamilton said.

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Tougher trade eats into Heinz profits

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

GROSS profits of H J Heinz. the American food firm, headed by Tony O'Reilly, came off record levels last year as sales slowed and the shares edged close to their 12-month lows.

Figures released yesterday showed gross profits had dropped from \$2.5 billion to \$2.47 billion on sales down almost 1 per cent to \$6.58 billion for the year ending April 29. Without \$221 million from the sale of its Hubinger commodity busi-



O'Reilly: pleased

How to get a better

ness, operating income would have dropped 15 per cent and net income would have been down 27 per cent.

Instead, operating income rose 6 per cent and net income 12 per cent. The shares, which have traded between \$48.625 and \$35.125 this year, fell 12.5 cents to \$35.25.

Mr O'Reilly, 56, said: "I am very pleased with the results for the year, which despite turbulent market conditions, both domestic and foreign, turned out as we anticipated at our stockholders' meeting last

The company, which plans 500 job cuts at six unspecified plants outside America, has recently denied reports that it poised to name David Sculley, brother of John the Apple Con chief, John, as the food group's next chief.

Mr O'Reilly's contract does not end until 1994, at which time he is able to exercise share options that could bring him a further \$123 million, but only if the Heinz share price climbs to more than \$61.125 in the next two years.

France urged to resume sell-offs

By Colin Narbrough Economics correspondent

FRANCE must restart the privatisation programme it halted in 1988, as the public sector remains too large and still places too big a burden on public finances, Edouard Balladur, the former French minister of economics, said in

London yesterday. In a speech to the French Chamber of Commerce in Piccadilly, he said that economies around the world, including those emerging from the collapsed Soviet empire. were developing privatisation. It had become a "great movement of history".

ated the French privatisation programme when in office, said that the resumed disposal of state assets should be done in a case-by-case, pragmatic manner. In its first wave of privatisation, the French government disposed within 18 months of about half of the 65 enterprises M Balladur listed for sale in 1986. Of the privatisation proceeds totalling Fr71 billion, Fr50 billion were used to reduce the national debt, while Fr21 billion

went to public enterprises. Despite a budget deficit that met the convergence criteria European monetary union, French public spend ing was still too heavy, M Balladur said. He added the need to safeguard public finances, and broaden share ownership of leading companieswas unchanged.

He made clear that it would be important to attract more foreign interest in French privatisation issues. In the eighties, about 10 per cent of French privatisation shares

In Paris, Michel Sapin, the finance minister, yesterday welcomed the latest inflation figures, which showed the annual rise in consumer prices slowing in May to 3.1 per cent, the fifth monthly fall in a row. The slowdown last month was achieved despite higher doctors' charges and rising oil prices.

THE Wellcome Trust. the charitable foundation that owns 73.5 per cent of the Wellcome pharmaceuticals group, is reserving the right to increase the size of this summer's £4 billion shares issue by as much as 25 per cent if there

is high demand for the shares. This would mean that investors applying in the issue will be expected to bid well before there is any firm indication of the number being sold, against the usual City practice.

There are already indications that the Wellcome float will be one of the most tightly priced in City memory, not least because the trust as a charity is legally bound to sel at the highest possible price. Ian Hannam. of Robert Fleming & Co. the global coordinator to the issue, said: "This deal will be sized to the

demand that is there." Only an indication of the number of shares for sale will be given when tender offers are invited on July 6. The trust is limited by court order to selling a maximum of 417 million shares, or about £4 billion-worth at the current price, which would reduce its

holding to 25 per cent.
But that indicated number can be increased by an unspecified amount if the signals



Robb: setting targets

Wellcome Trust hints at raising share issue size

By MARTIN WALLER

from investors are that it will be a success. Mr Hannam suggested an increase of 20 to 25 per cent would be regarded as acceptable. have to bid the price they are prepared to pay for the shares. If they bid too low they can

The Wellcome advisers have left the number of shares on offer flexible. They have put further pressure on potential investors by saying applica-tions received shortly after the tender offer opens will receive the market even less time to decide on the level of bids. The global marketing ahead of the float is already

well under way. Last week American institutions were targeted in presentations by John Robb, the Wellcome chief executive, and this week it is the turn of the European securities houses. Fleming has created a so-phisticated computer pro-

gramme that will grade applications according to price, the time they are received and the number of shares tendered for. Investors who deliberately lighten their existing holdings before the issue, or attempt to talk down prospects for the shares in the financial press before tendering, will be strictly penalised, and there are indications that Fleming has already identified potential

Investors in a tender offer

expect not to receive any, but

the number of shares on issue

is fixed, allowing applicants to gauge the potential demand.

wrongdoers A proportion of the shares, perhaps 30 per cent, will be earmarked for retail investors. But the tight pricing means the issue is not seen as a natural for small shareholders. "We think we're addressing Henry, as opposed to Sid. In other words high net worth individuals." Mr Hannam

Wellcome's advisers are keen to increase the propor-tion of the company held by American shareholders. There will be a New York Stock Exchange quotation.

BUSINESS ROUNDUR

Brittan tells EC banks to cut transfer fees

BANKS must cut their fees for each transfers between European Community countries by the end of the year or face. the introduction of EC laws to improve services, Sir Leon Brittan, European Commissioner said yesterday.

Cross-border transfers can cost up to 20 times more than domestic transfers in some EC states. In some cases, banks had had cheques returned because it was uneconomical to cash them in other EC states, Sir Leon said. The commission has been negotiating with banks since the mid-1980s but done little to calm consumer groups who say the costs and lack of transparency in bank charges make a mockery of the EC plans to build a single market.

Wellman holds payout

WELLMAN, the engineering company where Cardu has built up a near 10 per cent stake, is holding the annual dividend despite a slump in profits from £2.96 million before tax to £1.05 million in the year to the end of March. An unchanged 1.4p final leaves the total at 2.2p, payable from earnings of 2.4p a share, down from 6.3p. Geoffrey lky, chairman, said the results were in tine with the con expectations. Steps have been taken to reduce overheads and staffing has fallen 17 per cent.

Defence jobs for Gwent

AN £8 million expansion programme by Northern Telecom Defence Systems, the Canadian-owned telecommunications company, will create 120 new jobs at Newport, Gwent, and safeguard 180 existing defence-related jobs, according to David Hunt, Secretary of State for Wales, Northern Telecom makes fibre optic cables to carry messages for the army and navy. Northern Telecom's customers include the Ministry of Defence and the United States defence department.

Intercare tones up

STRONG growth has continued at Intercare Group, the healthcare products distributor, which boosted pre-tax profits to £1.39 million (£452.000) in the six months to end-April Turnover doubled to £10.8 million (£5.8 million). Earnings per share increased to 4.2p (3p) and there is an interim dividend of 0.6p (0.5p). The results include partial contributions from SAFA, a supplier of occupational health products, and Birmingham Optical Group.

Treatt advances

TREATT, the essential oils and aromatic chemicals group, lifted pre-tax profits 13 per cent to E571,000 in the six months to end-March. Turnover rose 42 per cent to £7.4 million. The interim dividend is maintained at 1p. Earnings are 3.94p (3.49p) per share. R C Treatt & Co, the principal operating subsidiary, increased sales volumes 40 per cent. About a third of the rise in turnover was exceptional, with a low margin-Costs were higher. Not profit growth was 13 per cent.

Faupel rides tough year

FAUPEL, the USM-quoted importer of Chinese textile goods for sale to wholesalers, stores and mail-order companies, increased pre-tax profits 8.1 per cent to £1.2 million in the year to the end of March. Earnings per share rose 3.3 per cent to 10.22p (9.44p). There is a maintained final dividend of 3.05p. Michael Molloy, chairman, said the year had been one of the most difficult in his memory and no clear tradingpattern had yet emerged.

Welpac slides into red

WELPAC, the hardware distributor, reported a pre-tax loss of £305,000 in the year to end-January (£13,000 profit). Turnover was £11.4 million (£9.7 million). The dividend is 0.2p (nil). The company set aside £110,000 in redundancy and reorganisation costs. Shawe Lighting remains a loss maker and interest charges were £541,000 (£332,000). although they are expected to fall "substantially" this year. Gearing fell to 44.6 per cent (126 per cent).

Renold gives warning

RENOLD, the engineering company, gave warning that orders for its chains and gears remained low, although some areas showed improvement over the depressed levels of 1091. Pre-tax losses of E3 million were suffered in the year ended March 28 (£2.5 million profits). Costs were again cut significantly. Losses were 5.6p a share (4p earnings). The company passed the interim dividend and the final is 1p

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Account payee gains legal weight BY NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

CHEQUES will be safer from fraud and theft after today. when the new Cheques Act comes into force. Banks and building societies are planning to start printing the words "account payee" on all their cheques to prevent the cheques being stolen and paid into other bank accounts than

those named. The Cheques Act, which was rushed through parliament before the general election, gives legal status to the phrase "account payee". This means that cheques with "account payee" written on them can only be paid into an account which belongs to the

person it is written out to. If a bank pays an account payee cheque into anyone else's account, it will become

liable for any loss from fraud or theft. The government and the British Bankers' Association hope the change will stem the rising tide of cheque fraud.

Large numbers of cheques are being intercepted in the post and laundered through bank and building society accounts opened by the thieves. The Inland Revenue has been a particularly frequent victim of these scams.

Until now "account payee" had no legal weight although it was informally recognised in the financial industry. Banks could still pay stolen cheques into the wrong accounts and would not be legally forced to offer any compensation.

To strengthen security still

further most banks, including Barclays and Lloyds, have announced they will print "account payee" on all their cheques. Any customer who wants to cancel the additional safeguard can cross out the

words and sign next to them. While the banks welcome the new security measure. many small companies are worried that it will cause added problems in their payment systems.

Some companies trade under one name but hold their account in another and will find it difficult to pay in cheques under the new

Companies are also complaining their branches have not understood the full impli-

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eral manager of BIS, speaking after the annual meeting, said

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before unemployment rates could fall significantly.

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The report, which urges to company to back a camion in spite of the weak-ness of the world economy. coincides with the bank's anthe control to make the central bankers' central bank. central bankers termen systems to be strengthened.

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In its economic outlook, the BIS says the world is climbing slowly out of the recession that has gripped it for much of the past two years, but that the recovery is taking longer than expected. It says, however, that there is little likelihood of a global depression in the next year, a scenario foreseen by some economists concerned by the twin slowdowns in Europe and Japan and the continuation of a more fragile recovery in America than had

been hoped for. Despite the disappointing picture of growth it paints, BIS sees no scope for quick fixes. The bank's report underlines the view that inflation remains too high in many countries, especially in Germany. Defeating inflation and restructuring the decrepit economies of the former Soviet bloc remain priorities to strengthen the world economic system.

Some comfort is provided in the report concerning the severity of the slowdown. Compared with past slowdowns. the present one has been generally milder than those of the mid-1970s and early

factors, mainly inflation, have On property prices, BIS offers little hope of an early recovery. Property prices are likely to remain depressed in most industrialized countries. BIS notes that this provides further evidence that the recession, while slowing, has not Against this background, the report voices the hope that the consensus that appears to

> All in good taste: Sam Whitbread, outgoing chairman of the Whitbread brewing group, tests a pint of Anniversary Porter, a traditional style of ale produced to cele-

brate 250 years of brewing success for the company founded by his ancestor, Samuel. Mr Whitbread pulled the first pint at the St

Truck sales likely to slide further

By DEREK HARRIS

WESTERN European truck sales are expected to decline 6 per cent this year, mainly because of a sharp downturn in the hitherto buoyant German market. There are, however, marginal recovery expectations for the United Kingdom market.

About 258,000 trucks are forecast to be sold this year in Western Europe against 275,000 in 1991, according to the latest sector survey from DRI, the transport consultant. Last year's total showed a 1.4 per cent decline on the previous year.
With UK truck sales badly

hit last year — barely 32,000 units were sold in the main sector of 3.5 tonnes and above — 1992 might see sales of about 35,000 units. That would still leave manufactur-ing volumes at "pultry" levels.

the survey points out.

If the UK economy gathered momentum in 1993, the annual market should lift towards 50,000 units by the middle of the decade, the survey says. This is well below the market size seen in the late

With few signs of economic recovery in the UK, even the marginal improvement in

truck sales forecast by the survey seems in some doubt. So far the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders has logged falling commercial vehicle sales for 32 consecutive months up to the end of May.

May sales this year were 7.7 per cent down on the same month a year ago and half those in May 1989. In the first five months of this year sales have been down 10.8 per cent compared with the same per-

iod a year ago.

DRI expects some recovery in the Spanish market this year while the rate of decline in France and Italy is expected to slow down.

The biggest swing is expected in the German market, which was the main source of growth in 1991, when demand grew strongly as the eastern half of the country expanded economically. Lower economic growth this year is hitting the German market.

Deregulation of domestic road transport in Germany is also expected to cut German demand.

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port, Summer 1992: DRI, Wimbledon Bridge House, 1 Hartfield Road, London SW19 3RU: £2,000.

HMC rises despite

By LINDSAY COOK

THE - Household Mortgage Corporation more than doubled pre-tax profits in the year to end-March to £5.16 million, compared with £2.2 milthey have and transfers homen lion in the previous year.

with the she the end of the ventoring. The improved figures were

HMC lost some mortgages as people transferred their holds payout company, which is wholesale funded, has a standard mortwhere Cardo he gage rate of 11.45 per cent. Control state of the bolding the annual b we million below tent charged by building socithe very transfer out of Mark to ries. It has total assets of E2

And the state of the state of the Maxwell Packe, finance diit was the the state the company rector, said: "In 1989-90 we it is the transfer the component recognised the early signs of the problems now faced by the

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plant hire group, has shown resilience in the face of the recession in the construction year to end-March almost unchanged at £76.8 million. But pricing pressure and low-er margins left pre-tax profits reduced from £6.19 million to £4.51 million.

A final dividend of 2.38p maintains the total at 3.60p. Jeremy Pilkington, the chairman, said he believed it prudent to expect no improvement in construction activity levels either in Britain or the United States before 1993, and the group had been

The American economy had been promising, but not delivering, recovery for some time, he added. Pre-tax profit there fell 39 per cent to £1.24 million. Experience was very varied, with some regions showing signs of recovery while others were still in

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payments are being met each month. Mr Packe said that the immber of new arrears cases was not falling. "Towards the end of a recession you would expect to get an increasing number of redundancies."

Turnover is Vibroplant

By MARTIN WALLER

VIBROPLANT, the specialist

positioned accordingly.

Despite depressed business ls. Vibroplant's gearing was reduced from 86 per cent to 70 per cent during the year. representing a reduction in debt of almost £9 million despite £14 million of capital investment, Mr Pilkington

In Britain, all divisions and all regions traded profitably. but with strong geographic and product variations, while profits fell 21 per cent to £3.27

pay beats inflation

LEISURE industry managers ast 12 months, which kept them ahead of inflation, but

have the first marker of this year rose more han a quarter compared with

ht same period last year. Chief executive salaries 1000 6.8 per cent to an average 65,000 a year but the aver-be bonus fell to 15 per cent

compared with 27 per cent in 1991 and 35 per cent in 1990. Average total remuneration for a chief executive or managing director in the industry was about £75,000.

Average salaries, with percentage increases, were: fidirector £41,000 (4.3 per cent), operations director £40,000 (5.6 per cent), sales general manager £25,800 (6.4

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Clark gets his teeth into BET consolidation

LEGEND has it that John costs reached £55 million. Clark, the chief executive of BET. said to his secretary soon after his arrival: "Just hang a piece of raw meat above the door so I can tear into it occasionally."

The services group made 170 acquisitions, costing £1 billion in five years, under Nicholas Wills, former chief executive, but Mr Clark has survived what he calls the consolidation of BET without the indigestion that normally comes with eating too much raw meat.

The City was pleased yes-terday with the strong line taken on accounting policy, the reduction in borrowing and the cash generation of the company, but a little disappointed by current trading. Debts are down from £617 million 18 months ago, or 122 per cent of shareholders' funds, to £107 million, or 25 per cent, counting the auction market preferred stock as equity.

BET says it generated cash for the first time in five years although at the cost of

and added to exceptional charges of E55 million for asset writedowns and £14.5 million for costs deferred by the previous management. The exceptional charge, was, however, kept down by releasing £34 million of a previous provision against the costs of integrating acquisitions.

About £477 million of acquisition goodwill writeoff has been reshuffled into the profit and loss account por-tion of the balance sheet because of the new accounting standard.

City profit forecasts for the current year are about £130 million and a modest rise in the total dividend is expected to 7.25p or 7.5p. The shares fell 5p to 135p yesterday, the pre-tax profit of £18.5 million (£217 million), being too steep a fall for traders.

At that price, the shares yield 7.2 per cent on the 6.5p total payout and sell at about 13 times forecast earnings. The shares are well worth holding. Management although at the cost of should be in a strong pos-20.000 jobs. Reorganisation ition to exploit the under-



Energetic earner: John Harris of East Midlands

lying growth potential of the service companies acquired when recovery finally comes. Meanwhile, Mr Clark is gnawing away at productiv-

ity as the second phase of his

BET revamp.

East Midlands

A NUMBER of electricity

analysts are increasingly ner-yous that Stephen vous that Stephen Littlechild, the industry's regulator, will take a hatchet to the distributors profits and endanger what must be among the safest dividend streams on the stock market.

There is little in the latest statement from Professor Littlechild, triggered by a 41 per cent pre-tax profits rise to £150 million from £2st Midlands Electricity, to sup-port such fears. He has said that there is little scope for any change to the regulatory regime until the planned

date of 1994-5. The 12 electricity distributors divide broadly into two categories: the safe and the entrepreneurial. East Midlands, under its chairman, John Harris, falls easily into the latter.

The company had lagged behind the others in the rate of dividend payments, al-though a 13.7 per cent rise last year does something to close the gap. The resilience of the local economy and more contracts to large industrial consumers sent total sales ahead by 3.4 per

East Midlands yields about 7 per cent, assuming another two-figure increase in the dividend, against an industry average closer to 6.7 per cent. Attractive: but the perceived regulatory risk could continue to undermine

Renold

TT disappointed speculative investors in Renold when it disposed of its stake last month, but figures for the year to the end of March show why the acquisitive holding company decided to look elsewhere for bargains.

Renold earned trading profits of only £300,000 on turnover of £121.5 million. against £4.6 million and £128.9 million in the previous 12 months. Although volumes held steady. margins evaporated as rival engineers wrestled for orders in a mature market.

At the pre-tax level, profits of £2.5 million last time switched into losses of £3 million. Increased interest charges and further excep-tional costs took their toll. With the focus still firmly on cost cutting, capital expenditure was cut from Ell.6 million to E5 million, but gearing advanced from 19 per cent to 25 per cent and the interest charge from £400,000 to £1.8 million.

After passing the interim dividend, Renold is paying a final of 1p a share, compared with last time's total of 3.7p. dipping into reserves to cover losses of 5.6p a share. (1.4p carnings)

David Cotterill, who joined as chief executive from Senior Engineering in February, wasted little time in scything overheads and a reduced cost base should see Renold at least breaking even this year. Trading remains tough with only tentative signs of a modest recovery in selected areas. Only a sustained upturn would have a material impact on the bottom line.

The shares slipped 3p to 57p, only 11p adrift of the 12-month high struck in May when a bid seemed certain. In March. Renold traded at 46p and it is difficult to see what has materially changed

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'Beauty contests' ruled out by union

BY ROSS TIEMAN INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

THE GMB general union has ruled itself out of "beauty. contests for single union deals with employers. The move will deepen divisions within the trade union more. ment and shift the consensus away from an accommoda. /. tion with Japanese style work. ing practices.

It will also increase the isolation of the one million strong Amalgamated Enginecering and Electrical Union. a keen advocate of single union deals, and add to the destabilising effect on union membership threatened by the government's forthcoming employment legislation For decades, the trade unions have relied upon the so-called "Bridlington Rules" of the Trades Union Congress to prevent unions poaching members from one another.

However, the AEEU. formed from the merger earlier this year of he AEU engineering union and the EETPU electrical union, has already signed a number of single-union deals, most notably with Nissan.

Since the merger, the AEEU leadership, headed by Bill Jordan, the president and Gavin Laird, general secretary, has committed the union to seek single union deals where ever they can, in established as well as new

The GMB decision was taken during the union's annual conference now under way in Blackpool. In a speech John Edmonds, general secretary, said: "In future, we will insist on the absolute right of the workplace to choose their own union. Unless we can get that guarantee we will refuse to take part in

any beauty contest."
The GMB change of rack was decided on the basis of a report drawn up by Mr. Edmonds. He called for a "new manufacturing partnership" between employers and employed, with companies committed to increased levels of training and employee representation, and a better flow of information to the workforce.

STOCK MARKET

Lasmo climbs as investors await news of demerger

East Midland Electricity

square at 293p, despite better

than expected trading news.

threat was enough to prompt

LASMO, the exploration group, managed to resist the downward pull on the rest of the market with investors eagerly awaiting details of the group's proposed demerger of its North American downstream activities.

Lasmo's price climbed 5p to 199p after dealers reported an early placing of a block of 500.000 shares. By the close of business. 3.3 million Lasmo shares had changed hands. An announcement about a demerger of the group's downstream operations, which it bought when it bought Ultramar, has been awaited eagerly by the City for some time after earlier attempts to dispose of the business ended in failure.

The newly demerged company is expected to be valued at about £700 million although oil analysts daim Lasmo is still hoping that a buyer for the business will emerge before flotation details can be worked out. Total, the French oil company, is still seen as a possible buyer of the business. The Lasmo share price was about 325p before it acquired Ultramar.

The rest of the equity market made a hesitant start to count with prices continuing to lose ground because of a general lack of support.

Investors remain concerned about the lack of economic recovery and note with concern the gloomy trading statements issued almost daily by leading companies.

Having fallen almost 26 points, the FT-SE 100 index managed to close off the bottom, helped by a firm start to business on Wall Street. It ended 10.1 lower on the day at 2,593.6. Another long list of companies whose recent dividend has dropped out of the share price accounted for three points of the fall.

Government securities also found the going tough, closing with falls of £12 at the longer end, awaiting details of the latest bond auction. which is expected to raise between £2 billion and £3

hunters among the leaders. with Courtaulds adding 8p at 565p, Allied-Lyons op at 664p and Guinness 8p at 590p. Tarmac also rallied 5p FISONS: SLIDE CONTINUES AS BROKERS TRY TO VALUE THE

There were a few bargain Thursday. has left a question mark over

ICI was a nervous market, falling 18p to £12.67 before a presentation later this week for analysts. Brokers are keeping their fingers crossed that there is no further had news in the pipeline. Goldman Sachs, the New York broker, will be hoping for positive news. It is still believed to hold 10 million ICI shares for which it paid Hanson about £13.05 each,

to 120p with Goldman Sachs, the American broker, believed to have cleared the

market of any remaining Fisons lost another 25p be-

Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jen Feb Mar Apr May Jun fore rallying to finish 7p are sceptical. They say that anyone bidding now is uncheaper on the day at 238p. likely to offer much above That compares with 345p on 290p a share. Last week's profits warning lost an early lead to close all-

the company, with analysts

nerable to a bid but brokers

Pre-tax profits last year rose 41 per cent to £150 million with the total dividend rising almost 14 per cent. John Harris, chairman, boasted of some of the lowest charges to customers within the industry and said business had continleaving it currently nursing a paper loss of almost £4 million. ued to perform well since the

> But Professor Stephen forecasts for the current year Littlechild, the regulator, says from about £220 million to he will respond to the contro-£130 million. Speculators versy over profits with toughclaim the group is now vuler controls in future. The

end of March.

a mark-down of electricity shares across the board. There were losses for Eastern 2p to 278p, London 4p to 323p. Manweb 5p to 344p. Midland 2p to 308p. North-era 1p to 325p. NORWEB 6p to 334p. Seeboard 5p to 313p. Southern 3p to 296p. South Wales 1p to 367p. South West 4p to 303p and

Yorkshire 4p to 364p. BET finished down 4p at 136p after a sharp drop in full-year figures and a cut in the dividend. Pre-tax profits tumbled from £217 million to £18.5 million and were struck after exceptional charges of almost £90 million relating to the disposal of a number of businesses and reorganisation. There was a £476 million write-off of goodwill. The

figures were in line with City lion but have reduced their estimates to between E11 milfears but John Clark, chief lion and E12 million. Graexecutive, gave a warning ham Coles, the group's fithat signs of an upturn were nance director, is leaving to patchy and did not show a become finance director of Regold, the mechanical en-First Leisure, down 4p at

gineer, fell 3p to 57p after plunging into the red and cutting the dividend. The group reported a pre-tax loss of £3 million against a profit last time of £2.5 million.

Amber Day, the discount retailer, fell 3 p to a new low of 58 up after issuing a profits warning and revealing details of a boardroom shake-up. The group said profits for the current year would exceed last year's total, but fall short of City forecasts.

Analysis had been looking for pre-tax profits of £17 mil

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WORLD MARKETS

Tokyo shares fall to two-month low AMP Inc 50% SAL-AMR Corp 50% SAL-AMR Corp 60% SAL-AMR SAL-AM

Tokyo - Shares dropped to a two-month low, feeling abandoned by a government reluctant to boost the economy. Analysts said they could see no good news on the horizon to turn it around.

The Nikkei index slid 325.37 points on Friday and 430.45 points yesterday to 16,953.23, closing below 17,000 for the first time since April. The Bank of Japan quarterly economic survey on Friday showed the economy was weaker than expected. but the BOJ did not hint at

any willingness to ease credit. Michael Morizumi, a strategist, of Lehman Brothers, said: "We're facing further consolidation with disappointment over the tankan the economy surveyland no prospect of stimulative action in the near future."

However, few analysts expect the market to crumble and many expect the Nikkel to find support at 16.598.15. the five-year low it touched on April 9, 57 per cent below its peak in December 1989. A break below that would put the Nikkei into unknown territory, they added, although technical analysts have drawn chart points at 15,000 or 13,000 recently.

One foreign analyst said: "The cheaper things get, the may become even cheaper

Investors are counting on the government to weigh in with a supplementary budget to give the economy a boost. But, with parliament wrangling over a troops bill and an upper house election in July. the political leadership may not have the time for an additional budget, especially when the finance ministry insists the economy is bottom-

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□ New York — American blue chips opened modestly lower, pressured by weakness in overseas markets, apprehension over second-quarter earnings and disappointment over the American market's performance on Friday. analysts said.

George Pirrone, senior trader at Dreyfus Corp, said: The market is down, number one because you had the weakness on Friday ... and number two because of the overseas markets which were down across the board with Tokyo leading the way."

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 10.70 points to 3,343.66. In the broader market, declining shares led advancing shares by about seven to four.

☐ Frankfurt — German shares dropped about half a prompted mainly by a fall in the chemical and pharmaceutical majors. The DAX in-dex ended 8.37 points lower at 1.773.90, its lowest close in almost four weeks.

☐ Sydney — Australian stocks closed slightly lower in thin trading. After opening slightly up. the All-ordinaries index lost ground the rest of the day to close 4.2 points down at 1647.1.

☐ Singapore — Share prices ended marginally higher in a day of trade dominated by property companies, brokers said. The Straits Times Industrial index rose 3.01 points to 1.519.88 on volume of 54.76 million shares.

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Intelligence that bankers ignored

and the first of ordon Brown, Labour's increasingly in-discriminate trade spokesman, has called for an in depth enquiry into whether the government knew, as long ago as 1989, that Robert Maxwell was dishonest on the basis of intelligence reports and, if so, why no action was taken. Representatives of Maxwell pensioners, who were defrauded in the tycoon's attempts to shore up his failing empire two years after the expensive 1989 purchase of Macmillan Inc, at least have a sensible, practical reason for targeting the government. It has access to taxpayers' money, so if any negligence could be laid at government's door, there might be a case for another state rescue on the scale of the Barlow Clowes affair.

No one needed intelligence reports, however, to know that Mr Maxwell had a dishonest and manipulative streak. That was made clear in journalistic investigations 20 years earlier, followed by a report by Department of Trade inspectors, who included one of the foremost accountants of the day. They concluded that Mr Maxwell was not fitted to be the director of a public company. The principal reason was his inability to separate his private affairs from a public company, which had many outside shareholders, and his penchant for manipulating profits and balance sheets by complex transactions between the two.

Mr Maxwell was a driving, entrepreneurial and sometimes brilliant businessman but he was a not a man to whom large sums of other people's money could safely be entrusted. By publishing that report 20 years before the pension fraud, the government of the day did a great service. Sadly, most of the business world chose to focus on the outstanding qualities and forget the dark side. The bankers who lent more than £2 billion included many of the most respectable and powerful British, Swiss and French names. His companies employed Britain's largest firm of accountants. His deals were advised by big name merchant banks and securities firms and blue chip solicitors. His apparently legitimate share dealings were carried out through international broking firms that claim the highest standing.

Presumably they could all read. They cannot have thought that Mr Maxwell had changed, that he had thrown off the excesses of youth and learnt his lesson. Throughout the construction of his second empire. dealings between his public and private companies, the hallmark of his earlier days, were more frenetic and complex than before. They did not involve the government. The financial sector could have acted at any time simply by not doing business, but most were only too happy to. The fees for the flotation of Mirror Group Newspapers alone totalled £17 million. The moral responsibility for the plight of Maxwell pensioners lies with the financial community.

n Sir John Cuckney's first day of raising funds on that presumption, he was met by two immediate refusals to contribute: from the Stock Exchange, which was so happy to welcome Mr Maxwell as the director of several public companies, and from Lord Stevens, of Invesco-MIM, whose close business associations with Mr Maxwell were so indicative of his being embraced by the financial establishment. The pension funds that Mr Maxwell acquired are missing about £450 million, of which more than £200 million might be accounted for by securities held by banks and others, and whose legitimate ownership is in dispute. Since the funds' had some surpluses they do not need to recover all their losses. Regardless of the disputed stock, firms and institutions that made money with. or from, the rise of Maxwell should be volunteering eight figures sums.

Protect British Coal's rich seam by privatising in one lump

John Meads puts the case in favour of

privatising British

Coal as a single entity

rather than selling the industry piecemeal

efore the election. John Wakeham, then energy sec-retary, gave a welcome statement of Conservative policy: "There is a substantial UK market for coal: we aim to ensure that it is supplied with British coal, mined competitively and efficiently by an enterprising management and work-force." His ministerial successors have to translate intention into

In the short term, the size of the UK coal industry will be determined by the nature of the coal supply con-tracts, to run from April 1993, bet-ween British Coal and the big electricity generators. Much has been spoken and written on the govern-ment's essential role in co-ordinating the interests of British Coal, of the generators, of the regional electricity companies, and its own interests, within those negotiations. But in the longer term the financial viability and sustainability of the industry will depend largely on the structure in which it is privatised.

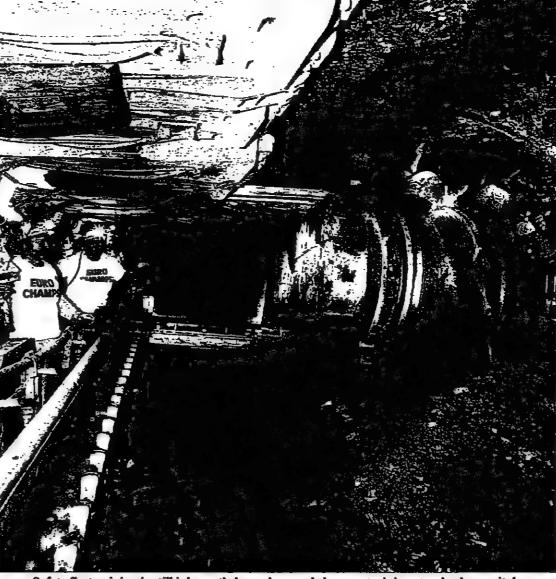
To those of us who have had to

experience the harsh reality of British Coal's unceasing retrenchment over recent years, the idea that our business suffers from a lack of competition, as canvassed by some critics, is laughable. The break-up of the industry they recommend would not achieve the government's desire for "the largest economic coal indus-try which the market can support". Indeed, it would achieve the opposite

In the first place, the international steam-coal market comprises many producers, distributed widely around the globe. Internationally traded steam coal constitutes a growing proportion of total world production. Worldwide productive capacity is sufficiently large to enable a speedy and flexible response to a change of demand, certainly on the scale of British electricity generators' likely future demand for coal.

In the absence of any artificial restraint on imports, international coal prices will constrain coal prices in Britain, whatever the share of the British market held, by a single producer. A unitary British Coal willbe a commodity producer acting within a world market, and will be a price-taker rather than a price-setter. British Steel would be a much closer analogy than British Gas.

Competition from imported coal will be a far more effective price constraint than competition between two or more British deep-mine producers. The cost structure of deep mining in British geological conditions would prevent a company maintaining a big margin of capacity above the level of output justified by its term contracts with its customers.



Safety first: mining is still inherently hazardous and rigorous training standards are vital

Competition between two or more deep-mine companies would be largely ineffective, due to their limited ability to respond to changes in the volume of market demand.

Regardless of their number, British coal producers will also be faced by the generators' duopoly power. Transport costs effectively prevent large-scale exports. Non-electricity markets now take less than a fifth of sales. By contrast, electricity generators can buy fuel in general, and coal in particular, from many sources. Thus potential exists for a buyer intent on rapid profit maximisation to drive prices down towards shortrun marginal costs, cutting, or eliminating, the reward for capital. This would allow little or no investment in replacement coal production cap-

acity, eventually killing the industry That threat could be rendered less immediate by the term contracts for coal supplies, but even a coal industry privatised in unitary form might not be able to withstand such pressure without help from the competiton authorities. The greater the number of producers, the weaker each would be in the face of exploitation by the buying power of the two generators.

On the other hand, given the competitive restraint from imported coal and other fuels, a unitary British Coal would have little scope to charge excessive prices. Nor is it likely to have sufficient financial strength to engage in predatory pricing to drive out or deter new British producers. particularly in the opencast sector.

In any case, the economic behaviour of two coal producers would not necessarily be different from that of a single producer. Experience of the generators' duopoly suggests that if a company's principal aim is at least to match the performance of its rival, management has a strong incentive to avoid the risk of comparative failure by pursuing the same strategy as its rival -- hence the calls for action by the electricity regulator.

The general incentive to efficiency, arising from competition from imported coal, new entrants to UK production, and other fuels, would apply equally whether British Coal were privatised as a whole or split up. Everyone in British Coal already knows that the industry is fighting for its very existence. Indeed, division

could diminish efficiency. Deep mining is an inherently high-risk business in Britain due to disturbed geology and well-worked coal seams. The greater the number of production units within a single business entity, the greater the opportunity to spread the risk of an unexpected interruption of production. The smaller the total size of the industry, the greater is this argument for retaining a unitary structure.

The perception that a company faced a higher level of risk could also lead to reduced access to capital and therefore higher finance costs, deterring development or diversification.

The argument that a division of British Coal would create greater scope for diversity of mining methods, technology, working practices, or edged. A company with only a few production units may in practice be less willing to risk failure by experimenting at one colliery than would a company with twice as many. Likewise, inter-colliery rivalry remains possible within a unitary corporate structure, if local management is given sufficient autonomy and if both

management and workforce derive

performance of their own colliery. Whatever the structure of the privatised coal industry, local management autonomy and employee participation are likely to be key factors in continuing the drive towards more efficiency. Coal mining is not an industry in which best results will be achieved by heavy-handed direct supervision. This is why the

personal financial reward from the

British Association of Colliery Managers, like the Union of Democratic Mineworkers, wants a management/employee buyout of British Coal, and has initiated talks with interested parties. We do not see the UDM as competitors: all BC employees should be in this together.

Il these economic considerations are important. Safety is equally vital and should weigh large in the govern-ment's decision as to structure. Safety standards cannot be enforced solely by legislation and external inspection. Corporate culture and manage-ment organisation are important fac-tors. Privatisation in parts might well disrupt British Coal's existing "safety culture". It would certainly be easier to maintain safety standards with a single system of technical instructions than with two systems. Adoption of best practice, and establishment of safe methods involving new technology, need exchange of ideas and experiences between collieries. But these matters have an impact on operational efficiency as well as safety, and could well be regarded as commercially confidential between rivals.

Previous experience of the industry in private ownerships shows that this is a real concern. For example, the surveyor of one colliery would not be permitted to divulge to his counterparts at neighbouring pits the details to his colliery's underground workings. Lack of such knowledge has, in the past, led to accidental break-in to old workings, causing loss of life from the water or gas they contained.

Mining is an inherently hazardous occupation and training standards must be specified in detail and rigorously enforced in order to ensure safe working practices. Most managers regard good training as the key to establishing and keeping high stan-dards of safety. Regardless of the number of companies within the industry, workers must be transferable between collieries; this is particularly true for specialists but applies to all workmen when a colliery closes. Safe transfer requires consistent training standards, more easily achieved in a unitary structure.

On the key economic grounds of viability, efficiency and sustainability there is much to be gained by privatising the mining activities of British Coal as a single entity. Dividing the greater competition, but would run the risk of jeopardising British Coal's safety record which is the envy of miners around the world.

John Meads is general secretary of the British Association of Colliery Management, Tomorrow, Professor Colin Robinson argues the case for competition in the energy industries

New chapter at St Ives

", "IF ANYONE was being groomed to take over from Bob Gavron, the Harpo Marx runs St ives, the UK's largest Printer capitalised at £280 million, it was Miles Emley. the former Rothschild banker who beloed float St Ives in 1985 and who yesterday quit as head of corporate finance at UBS Phillips & Drew to become St Ives' deputy chairman. Gavron, 61, chairman of St Ives, says he wants "to be le to retire" at 65 and "not be hanging around like a spectre in my nineties". Accordingly, Emley, 43, will shadow Gavron from October as chairman-designate on a salary Gavron admits to be well over £100.000 and probably about double Gavron's own £75,000 a year, with share options as an extra. A life-long merchant banker. Emley nevertheless has strong publishing interests and adhits to being "a voracious reader". He first met Gavron when Rothschild advised Octopus, where Gavron was then la director, and was on the board of feminist press Virago for two years after it chose Rothschild for its management buyout on Gavron's recommendation.

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To the bar

RECENT ISSUES

THERE is life after a career in the City. To prove the point. two ex-bankers have just come full circle and are emerging With new careers in an entirely different sphere. Brian Dye. mm] 1989 managing director



of Goldman Sachs government securities division in London — and, as such, the man responsible for bandling the firm's trading and supervisory relationship with the Bank of England — has just been offered a tenancy in the barristers chambers at 4 Essex Court, in London's Temple. So, too, has John Snider, 33, a one-time corporate financier with Hill Samuel in Johannes burg, and more recently employed in the corporate finance department of South African bank Investec. Their arrival will bring the number of tenants at 4 Essex Court to 41 and is a sign of their acceptance, on a professional basis. by their new-found colleagues. It also means that 4 Essex Court, hitherto known for its work in commercial and international law, might have an edge over some of its rivals when it comes to acting for clients in the financial services sector. "I had qualified as a lawyer some time ago and after ten years in the City I felt I had achieved all the ambitions I had in the financial

world," says Dye, 38, who has

spent the past three years

studying for his bar exams and doing pupilage. There

are not a lot of barristers who

have had experience of the City and I felt I could offer something extra."

FOLLOWING the recent res-

ignations of several of its top

Headhunting

people in London, Enskilda. the Swedish securities house. has been recruiting for its European operations. Philip Best of Fauchier is to join its Paris team with Anton Ogier, of Kleinwort Benson, while James Stettler is moving to London from Julius Bar in Zurich to focus on Swiss research. According to Tom Hughes-Hallet, responsible for securities, Enskilda, in a recent survey, was rated one of the two most widely consulted continental research houses and now has, he says, two teams of headhunters searching for additional new talent. The drive follows a decision to refocus Enskilda's European business and transfer most of its French and German research efforts to Paris and

Mistaken knight JOHN Wrigiesworth, building society analyst at UBS Phillips & Drew, is honoured in housing circles since he is regarded as something of a guru, but is he really worthy of a knighthood? In its report on the estate agency conference at the Lancaster Hotel. The Negotiator, the estate agency trade newsletter, referred to 'Sir John' Wriglesworth and demoted Sir Gordon Borrie, a fellow speaker, to humble 'Mr' Borrie. Wriglesworth's suitability for honours seems, thus far, to have escaped John Major, but if he can talk up the housing market sufficiently, perhaps that will be rectified.

CAROL LEONARD

Lloyd's should reconsider fund levy

BUSINESS LETTERS

member from 1986 until his From Mr R. Maxwell Sir, A week has gone by in which to digest the recent

announcement by Lloyd's of its intention to levy an average of £20,000 per name from its membership to boost its central fund.

As a committed member of Lloyd's, I welcome the decision to raise this levy by way of "increased losses" or more optimistically "reduced profits" over the next three years, rather than the muchrumoured "cash demand" being levied immediately on the membership. Whilst unhappy at having to pay this levy. I hope that this sensible move by the Lloyd's Council will defuse some of the scaremongering tactics being adopted by observers in the financial market place.

However, as an administrator of my late brother's estate (my brother having been a

untimely death last year). I think the manner with which this levy is being imposed is beneficiaries of my late brother's estate, namely his widow and two young children, have to pay this posthumous levy, when they receive no benefit from it whatsoever? They were never party to my brother's short-lived decision to become a member of Lloyd's and why should they care if Lloyd's as an institution survives or not? With my brother's estate having to meet his recent and

future Lloyd's losses fairly and squarely, his family are suffering enough financial hardship. Why inflict this additional financial penalty on them? Lloyd's should think again. Yours faithfully RONNIE MAXWELL

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Macho talk at BET From Mr M. Lewis-Nieto

Sir, I was surprised to read the

inept methods applied by an American to reorganise BET. The old three Rs — redundancy. reductions, restrictions are the last thing they need. Macho talk from the chief

executive about "downsizing" will sound like unemployment for the people who work for him. When he reduced his head office staff from 300 to 60 the three Cs would have left the building with them. Or does he really believe that the lesson for those who remain is: commitment, confidence and creativity? Isn't it more likely to be "look after number one" and "cover your back"?

Yours faithfully. MICHAEL LÉWIS-NIETO Director.

Resource Development Ltd. Long Lodge, 267-269 Kingston Road, Merton Park, SW19.

Build on know-how

From Mr W. Knight

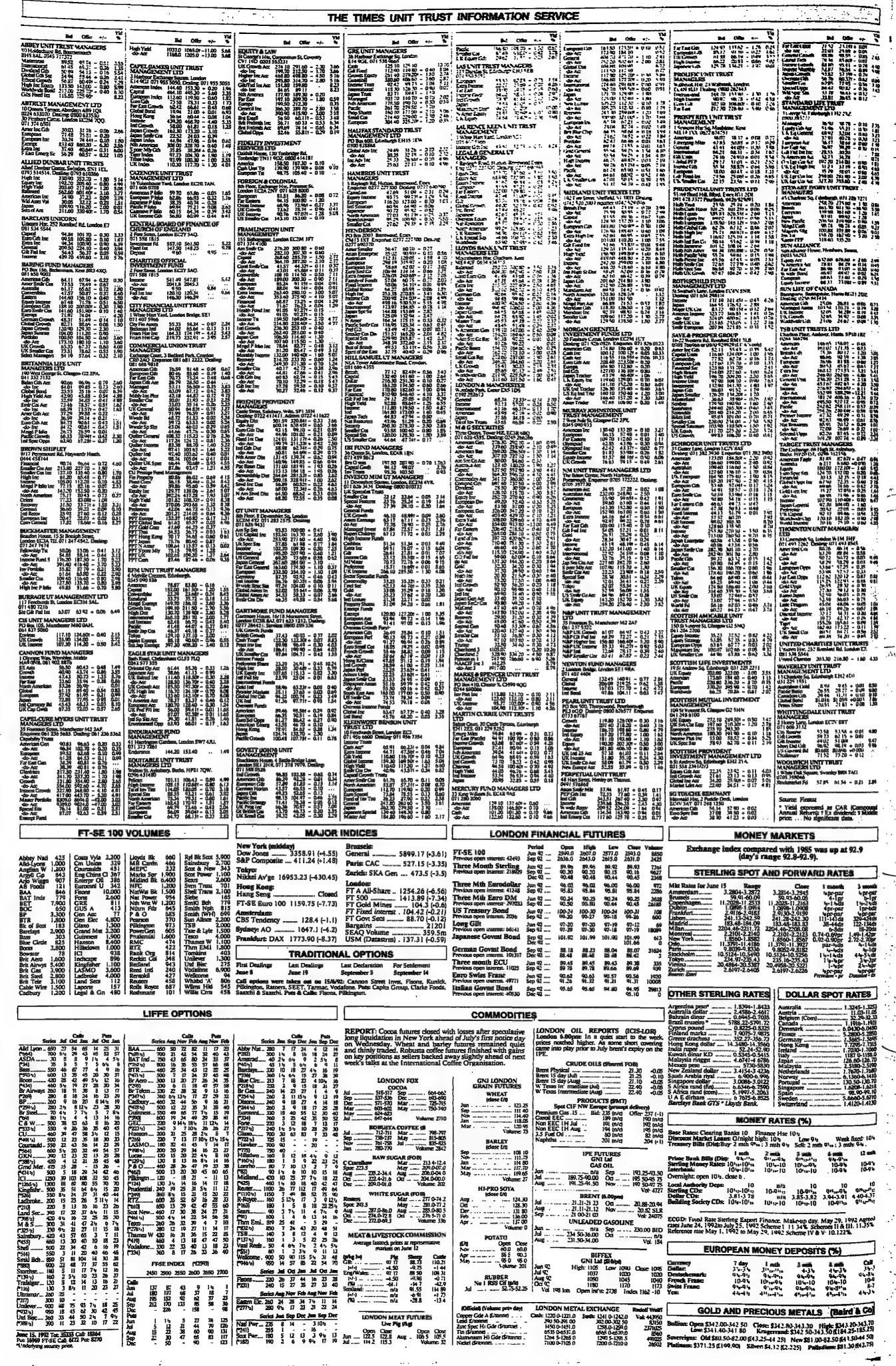
Sir, Since Midland Bank corner shows are not to be absorbed into Black Horse financial hypermarkets, one must hope that their management will build on its new Far East know-how and cater for the needs of exporters and those who depend generally on international business for a

In its drive to squeeze profits out of domestic consumers and pull away from international banking, the house of the Black Horse has been noticeably inattentive to the needs of international businessmen.

If Hongkong Bank can care for this market gap. Britain's trade and its banking system will be stronger.

Yours faithfully. WILLIAM KNIGHT. 23 St James's Square.

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EUROPEAN CHEMICALS

Giants seek formula for recovery

Recession has cost the chemical industry jobs and profits, but, as David Rudnick

reports, some areas are still thriving

urope's chemical industry is going through one of its stickest patches since the second world war as it wrestles with the hydra of recession. over-capacity and ever-rising envicosts. The European Chemical Industry Federation (Cefic) regards the recession, with its implications for excess capacity. as the most serious challenge facing

"We are, however, at the healing phase of the cycle," Jean-Marie Devos, Cefic's general secretary, says. The federation is forecasting growth of 1.8 per cent for the European chemical industry this year, almost double last year's figure. However, this mild overall recovery conceals wide variations in the fortunes of different sectors of the industry. Bulk. or commodity. chemicals, plastics and petrochemicals are among the laggards. Con-

sumer chemicals, above all pharmaceuticals, are in much better shape. Europe's biggest

chemical com-pany, Hoechst, is contributing to one of many pursuing a ratio-nalisation productivity

ticularly in Germany: jobs are being phased out and plants closed. Production of phosphorus and detergent phosphates is to cease. The second largest company, BASF, is cutting 9.500 jobs — more than 7 per cent of the workforce —

this year through attrition and early retirement BASF's profits in the first quarter of this year plummeted by as much as 40 per cent Jürgen Strube, the board chairman, foresees no quick revival around the corner. Nor do most chemical manufacturers, given the continuing slowdown and depression in key markets like Germany and the United States.

Bayer, third of the big three, is also cutting costs and manpower, but its greater exposure to health care, pharmaceuticals and other speciality chemicals is protecting it from the worst effects of the industry's notoriously erratic business cycle. ICI also sees more hope in consumer-related products. Sir Denys Henderson, the chairman, says: "The recession is still with us to a considerable extent, but a number of our businesses, particularly serving the housing, consumer goods and textile markets in the United States, the United Kingdom and parts of continental Europe, are detecting faint signs of

Ciba-Geigy historically has a strong speciality, consumer-prod-uct bias. It says agro-chemicals and bio-related parts of the business have stood it in good stead in weathering the recessionary storm, though it is still looking critically at its product portfolio to make it leaner and meaner".

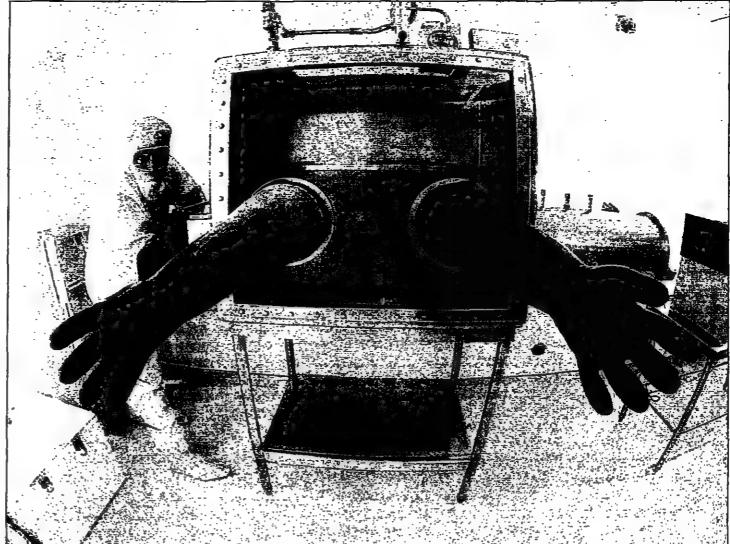
Cefic emphasises that technological progress, as well as the recession, is contributing to cost-cutting and productivity gains. These are

essential in any case if the industry **Technological** is to adapt to the competitive pres-sures likely in the progress is single European market next year. The move to a single currency, in particular, will bring added em-phasis to cost gains

competitivenes Structural changes are likely to take place over the next few years. with the bigger players concentrating on their core strengths. Mergers and acquisitions may have to await more expansive times.

One of the dampeners to com-pany mergers and takeovers is the growing uncertainty about many companies' environmental credentials. Substantial hidden costs may be incurred if products or processes are affected by environmental legislation in the pipeline. One oftenexpressed concern is that the European industry should not be disadvantaged by costly environ-mental regulations that do not bear

equally on its competitors overseas. One danger that Mr Devos sees in the single market is "adopting texts that allow too much flexibility, and are therefore open to abuse by interest groups like environmental



Welcome to the laboratory: a positive-pressure, nitrogen-filled glovebox is used to avoid contamination from the surrounding air.

lobbies". He is suspicious of subsidiarity, and doubts the wisdom of leaving EC member states and, worse, regions free to adopt their own environmental measures.

The environmental difficulties of the former communist countries of eastern and central Europe are rapidly coming to the fore. Cefic has initiated the Environment Advisory Service for Technical Transfer (EASTT), a project which enables member companies to provide voluntary assistance to their east European counterparts on how to clean up their act.

Cefic would like EC financial support for these initiatives, which are seen as a more positive way of serving the environment than the hated carbon-energy tax.

As part of its self-regulatory approach to environmental planning. Cefic has adopted yet another acronym: Veep, the Voluntary Energy Efficiency Programme. Energy costs have been halved already over the past 20 years, it is claimed. Now the aim is to reduce them through Veep by a further 15 per cent by 2000.

Chemicals are very much a global business. Free access to export markets worldwide must therefore be a cardinal principle of the industry's trade policy. Lack of

progress in the Uruguay round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) is focusing attention on the dangers of protectionism and the threat that exclusive trading blocks can pose to the system of multilateral trade.

Trade in intellectual property rights is also a serious concern. Extending Gatt rules to cover items like trademarks, patents and copy-rights is a priority in the chemical

Mr Devos says: "We have established a common position on these issues with our American and Japanese colleagues in the International Council of Chemical Associations. We all want Gatt to set equal standards of protection for intellectual property worldwide. You still can't get chemicals and pharmaceuticals patented in many parts of the world because of inadequate legal protection. Chemical processes may be protected, but not

Looming on the horizon are new competitors, such as South Korea in petrochemicals, and behind It Taiwan and the other countries in the Far East. Nearer home, some believe that the expansion of Europe's state-swned oil companies into chemicals is contributing to over-capacity.

products.

Medicines alleviate profit ills

n most of Europe's chemical industry, pharmaceuticals are an oasis of profitability in an otherwise desolate landscape. This is because demand for drugs and medicines is largely recession-proof. David Rudnick writes. People will always be ill. as a spokesman for the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industrict APDI units observed. try (ABPI) wryly observed.

Thus Bayer, one of the big three German chemical groups, regis-tered profits last year higher than Hoechst and BASF, its two rivals. because of its greater exposure to the pharmaceutical market. While Bayer's overall pre-tax profits dropped by 5 per cent, its pharma-ceutical sector delivered profits 11

per cent up on the previous year. Other companies, like ICI and Rhone-Poulenc, are also finding health products a tonic to their onlance sheet.

The move towards a single European market is rapidly harmonising trading conditions in pharmaceuticals. By January 1, 1993, advertising standards will be set consistently across the European Community. By 1994 an EC directive will ensure that patients buying medicines, whether on prescription or over the counter, receive an information leaflet clearly stating the product's manufacturer and its ingredients, and warning of any possible side-effects.

The continuing existence of seve eral national regulators setting different standards for drug safery adds significantly to marketing costs. So meetings have been held in Brussels, on the initiative of the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers, to get the regulatory authorities of the EC, Japan and the United States to

adopt consistent requirements. -The industry has longer-term worries, however. One arises from the governments' pressure on general practitioners to cut back drug prescriptions in the interests of public economy. According to the ABPI, this has reduced the uptake of new medicines in recent years. depriving companies of funds to

finance research and development. As Europe's population steadily ages, however, expenditure of health care may be expected climb, providing the manistry will a favourable backgrop for son time to come.



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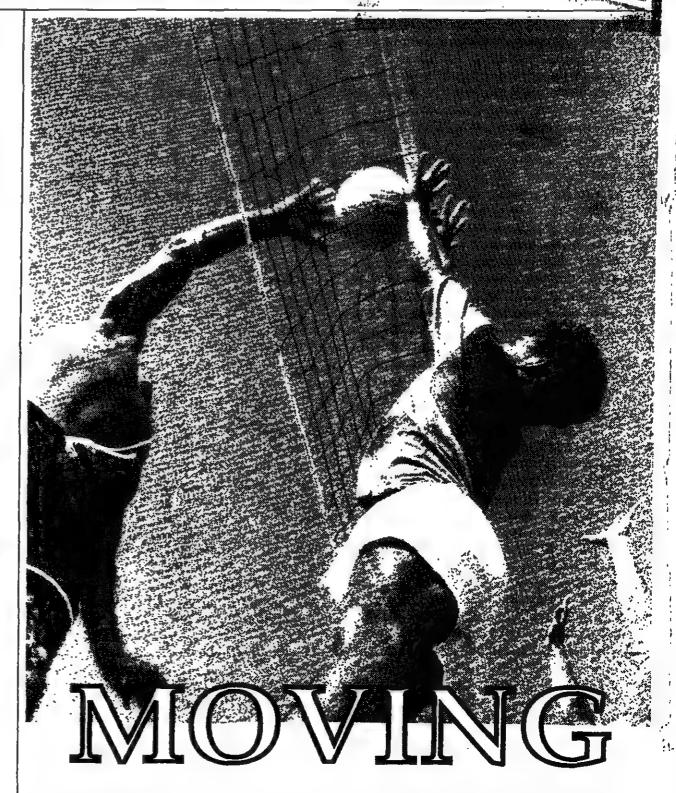


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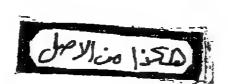
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Taken to the cleaners

The chemical industry is still cast in the role of environmental villain. Continuing evidence of urban and industrial blight, the hole in the ozone layer and disasters like those at Seveso and Bhopal have badly tarnished its image for some time to come. And by keeping environmental issues at the top of the political agenda, the Earth Summit at Rio has once again put the chemical industry in the dock.

Stringent environmental legislation in Germany was instrumental earlier this month in bringing directors of Desowag, a Düsseldorfbased subsidiary of Bayer, literally into the dock charged with poisoning thousands of DIY enthusiasts with a wood preservative. It is Germany's biggest environmental pollution trial ever and symbolises the exceptional strength of environmentalism in Europe's biggest chemical-manufacturing country.

Industry leaders there are angry at what they see as unreasonably strict environmental controls, which they say, are undermining their international competitiveness. Wolfgang Hilger, chairman of Hoechst, was bitterly critical of Germany's tough legislation a few months ago as he announced falling profits. He said it disadvanteed. German-based companies paged German-based companies without producing any discernible environmental benefit. Like many of his competitors, Herr Hilger complains that the cost of further

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Environmental legislation threatens to take away Europe's competitive edge

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improvements is far too high, and could end up virtually driving the chemical industry out of Germany chemical industries Association altogether.

Environmental standards are being tightened up in Britain. A related capital projects will have system of integrated pollution control (IPC) is being adopted which seeks the most practical way of protecting all aspects of the environment, using the

best available technology to reduce waste generation and control the effect of emissions. According to as polluters pass Chris Hampson, a director of ICI, who serves on the

European Chemi-cal Industry Feder-

ation's environment committee, IPC is "a sophisticated approach which aims to avoid protecting one part of the environment, like water, at the expense of another, like air. Solutions being sought are those which protect the environment as a whole." Mr Hampson predicts that when IPC is completely phased in by 1994, Britain will have one of the strictest environmental control systems in Europe.

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"The public is paying for this," says Mr Hamp-

son, "as polluters

generally pass on the cost in higher

prices. Costs have to be reflected

somewhere." Companies that can

find the most cost-effective way of

reducing the pollution they produce, he concludes, will gain a

Both the British and the Ger-

mans are worried that measures to

protect the physical environment could irretrievably pollute the busi-

ness environment if excessive costs

drive away investment and place

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estimates that, despite the recession, spending on environmentmore than doubled between 1991 and 1994, biting into ordinary member state to another. capital expenditure. ICI reports

global warming, the commission has come up with proposals to limit carbon dioxide emissions and enhance energy efficiency. The most controversial measure is an energy tax aimed at stabilising the EC's carbon dioxide emissions at their 1990 level by 2000. The key feature is a tax of \$3 on a barrel of oil to be imposed in 1993, rising in

The industry is predictably unimpressed. "Our record on energy efficiency is fine," a spokesman says. "We already require less than half as much energy to produce a tonne of goods as we did 20 years ago." ICI says some of its plants in Germany, run as a joint venture with the Italian concern Enichem, have recently cut fuel consumption

Mr Hampson thinks the tax scheme is unlikely to go through US and Japan, and Washington has already said no". He adds that

nationally-based companies at a competitive disadvantage.

The European Commission is mindful of the need to standardise environment regulations to avoid these market distortions, and so the next few years are likely to see the issue increasingly handled at EC rather than national level. Many in the industry are worried that even if uniformity of standards is achieved, enforcement will vary from one

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Something in the air: an environmental chemist conducts analyses of atmospheric pollution

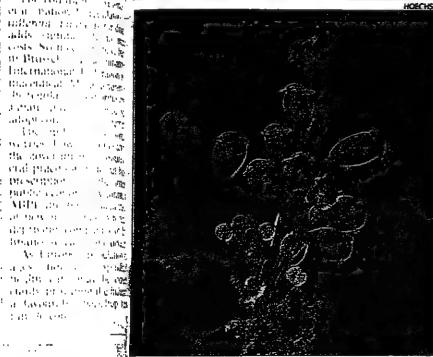
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Europe accounts for only 13 per cent of the world's carbon dioxide emissions, so the tax would not contribute greatly to solving the world's dimatic difficulties.

Cleaning up effluents and emis-sions from old plants not designed with pollution controls in mind and

designing new, environmentally-benign plants and processes is a heavy burden on companies' reup and becoming more pollutionfree. So in the longer term, as pollution abates so too will our capital expenditure on the search and development budget, but it will not last forever, Mr Hampson believes. "Now that we

DAVID RUDNICK



gene pool

B lotechnology is one of the fastest growing areas in the chemicalpharmaceutical industry. Companies are racing to be the first to win part of the food market with genetically engineered plants and crops, David Rudnick writes.

Scientists are also inserting human genes into plants. factories capable of producing oseful human proteins. They have grown tobacco plants that produce antibodies; potabes that make a human blood iotein used in surgery; and Tape plants that make a painnormally produced in

the brain. The nearest commercial application, however, is genetic engineering in plant biology, where genes are transferred between different species to improve crop yields. The furust for the research comes from a desire to produce plants more resistant to insect pests, lungi and herbicides.

Pesticides are not only a financial drain but also an environmental hazard. Their use can be avoided, however, if Plants can be armed with their own biological defences by implanting foreign genes that produce proteins toxic to insect

The potential gains are comous, though much of the research is necessarily tiong term. But companies such as Monsanto in America. ad Plant Genetic Systems in religium, are adapting the rethods of a little natural genetic engineer called agrobacterium tumefaciens to full insect larvae that prey on crops, using tobacco and tomatoes as models.

ICI's seeds division, in part-pership with researchers at Nottingham University, has altered the tomato's genetic aructure to develop tomatoes that ripen without going soft and pulpy, by suppressing the enzyme that induces softening during the ripening process.

Even more extravagant juggling with nature is being done in Scodand, where a genetically engineered sheep called Tracy is busy producing a human protein, alpha-l-antitypsin, or AAT, in milk. Most people produce their own AAT, but about one in 2,000 is deficient, and in some cases this can cause lallure, cystic fibrosis or the lung disease, emphysema. Sufferers can be injected

scarcity makes this enormously expensive. It is hoped that Tracy and her descendants will ease the shortage by increasing, and maybe even replacing, and maybe even replacing, the present limited supply of AAT, which up to now has been produced by a laborious process of extraction from human blood.

Bayer paid around £10 million for exclusive rights to Tracy's lucrative, AAT-rich milk. It is conducting lengthy clinical trials and has submit ted her AAT for approval by the health authorities.

But however careful the biotechnicians are, doubts remain about the ethics of genetic engineering. Tracy was programmed to produce AAT by the injection of human genetic material into a

fertilised sheep ovum.

Dr Peter Doyle, who chairs the European Chemical Industry Federation's special additional control of the chairs of the chair of the c advisory group on biotechnology (SEGB), understands the unease evoked by genetic manipulation, but he answers it positively. "Nature has been very generous in providing us the genetic material, but it isn't always in the place we want it. Biotechnology has given us the opportunity to move genetic material where we most

Dr Doyle, who directs re-search at ICl, is pleased that the European Community, while recognising biotechnology as a key area for economic development, especially in food and health care, has also set up an ethics committee to examine areas of public concern. Like many others in the industry, however, he is concerned that the European Commission's regulatory regime is failing to encourage investment in biotechnology.

EC policy may be moving towards more balance in satisfying the needs of the industry as well as public concern, but Dr Doyle strongly believes more progress is needed if Europe is to remain interna-

tionally competitive. He believes that the United States has the balance right, and that is why BASF has set up a biotechnology research facility there rather than in Europe to avoid the obstacles caused by delay and uncer-tainty. For similar reasons, Hoechst has decided to transfer a manufacturing plant for Factor 13, vital for haemophiliacs, to Japan.

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Chemical companies are some of the largest in Europe, but the pattern of success and failure varies from nation to nation and sector by sector

Continental divide

UNITED **KINGDOM**

Wobbling cycle

The chemical industry in Britain is the third largest in Europe in terms of sales. coming after Germany and France, David Rudnick writes. It is also the third largest manufacturing industry within the country, accounting for 11 per cent of total output and 6 per cent of employment. As a manufacturing export earner it is unrivalled, with a visible trade surplus of about £2 billion a year. Roughly 50 per cent of British chemical sales are exported, half within the European Community.

The widespread use of chemicals makes the industry particularly susceptible to cyclical ups and downs. Its outlets are legion: agriculture, food manufacturing and processing, textiles, paper and printing, plastics, cars, rubber. Throughout the 1980s output of chemicals grew by 2.5 per cent a year, while gross domestic product rose by only 2.2 per cent and manufacturing by

1.2 per cent. Between 1985 and 1990 chemicals accounted for 15 per cent of new investment spending in manufacturing. But that robust performance has predictably wilted under the impact of the recession. Its present three-year investment programme, covering 1992-94, is the lowest since 1984-86, and the association sees no significant upturn before next

Sir Denys Henderson, chairman of ICI, says: "1992 so far shows little sign of improvement, and indeed, the commodity cycle may not begin to recover until 1993." ICI's share of the United

Kingdom market has fallen to 10 per cent in recent years as it has concentrated its sales effort abroad and reduced its exposure to the more cyclical commodity sector, which has traditionally formed a large part of its UK business.

iCI is concentrating on building up its presence in the overseas markets where its sales penetration is most marked. Its strategy is to have a permanent seat at the top table in the three major markets: Europe, North America, and the Asia-Pacific region.

With that in mind, it intends to sell its fibres business to Dupont of the United States, and buy Dupont's acrylics business in exchange. The deal offers synergy to both companies in optimising their respective strengths, but because of its size and complexity, it is under review by

the European Commission. Rising costs are a headache for the whole industry. Chemicals are energy-intensive, the largest industrial consumer of natural gas, petroleum products and electricity, the price of which has rocketed recently. "We're all in favour of the marketplace and privatisa-tion," says John Cox, the industry association's director, "but this year tariffs have risen

by as much as 30 per cent. This is a constant worry, since the industry is still in the process of generating its own energy, and the investment needed to achieve that will take two or three years."

To trim costs, the industry is shedding manpower at 3 per cent a year. The association estimates that employment has fallen by 20,000 to 310,000 since 1989, and that wage settlements are at, or



Tariff worries: John Cox

even below, the inflation level. The industry is understand-ably worried about its adverse environmental image. The association accepts that "the reputation of the chemical industry is not good. We must win back respect ... The public needs to know that all reasonable steps are being taken to reduce risks in health

GERMANY

Sisterly concern

Germany's three giant chemical concerns. Hoechst: BASF and Bayer. already struggling to compete with new worldwide competi-tion, have been anxiously monitoring the world environ-ment conference in Rio de Janeiro. Brazil. They are waiting to see if new restrictions will emerge that will limit their hopes of a quick recovery from a recent series of bad results. ian Murray writes.

Not all that long ago the "three sisters" confidently dominated world markets, provided secure employment and guaranteed good divi-dends. However, the good times ended in 1989. Since then there has been a down-

turn which has been costly in both jobs and dividends. Last year, Bayer's profits were down 22 per cent on 1989. Hoechst's 38 per cent and BASF's 52 per cent. All three are now busy cutting costs and

Bayer managed to hold last year's dividends at 1990 levels, but the other two cut them by 20 per cent. This year is looking as gloomy as the last. The rising price of raw materials, weak demand and price competition from the developing world have all sapped the strength of the German industry, These factors have emerged just when there is an urgent need for investment to maintain the companies' pos-ition in world markets.

The cost of environmental protection is crucial. Between them, the three companies have to pay around DM300 million (£103.4 million) this year in sewage, emissions and disposal taxes. Hoechst estimates that environmental protection is responsible for one fifth of its production costs. Last year the company spent DM2.12 billion (£731 million) on it, and it expects the figure to grow by another DM1.5 billion (£517 million)

In the longer term, Hoechst believes that environmentally friendly production will increasingly be a good sales point against goods turned out cheaply in developing countries. Becoming environmentally friendly is a slow and expensive process, however. Development of new sites in western Germany is subject to constant delay from planning procedures. The need to clean up the heavily polluted environment in eastern Germany means that investment there is even more expensive and can

Treuhand, the government agency privatising the old communist combines, is having only limited success in the chemical sector, and only about 100,000 of the 330,000 employed in the industry in the east before unification are

likely to keep their jobs.

Bayer is spending DM500 million (£172 million) in cleaning up part of the Bitterfeld region, which had the unenviable reputation of being the most polluted area in the former East Germany. The company hopes to sell polymers, industrial chemicals and consumer products in east European markets. On the other hand, BASF

burnt its fingers when it spent DM500 million (£172 million) on cleaning up a synthet-ics plant in Brandenburg only to find that Soviet and east European demand had dried

Overali BASF has suffered most from cheap competition. The company lost DM345 million (El 19 million) last year on casseme-tape sales because of cheap imitations.

Bayer has been the most successful, thanks largely to its pharmaceutical sector. Four products are responsible for most of the profits: Cipro antibiotics. Adalat pills for hypertension, Alka-Seltzer and aspirin. Executives in their own industry could be among their best customers.

SWITZERLAND

Export success

S witzerland's big three chemical companies, all based in Basle, have little to complain about, Alan McGregor writes. Despite the depressed world economy. their earnings were well up for 1991: Roche's earnings rose 56 per cent to SFr1.5 billion (£556 million), Ciba-Geigy's were up by 24 per cent to SFr1.28 billion (£470 million) and Sandoz's rose by 15 per cent to SFr1 billion (£372

The biggest increases in exports were to the United States, South America and Africa. Pharmaceuticals made up 45 per cent, with a growth rate about three times that of other sectors. Agro-chemicals also performed well.

Swiss chemical companies already have a strong presence in key European Community markets, and they have been vocal supporters of Switzerland's becoming a full member of the EC.

Analysts attribute the satisfactory overall picture largely to the restructuring of the past three years and to the decision to make heavy investments in biotechnology. For this, however, all the big three appear to prefer research facilities outside Switzerland.

Ciba-Geigy has opted for a site at Huningue, across the frontier in Alsace. It plans to build a genetic engineering research facility there at a cost of SFr120 million (E41 million). The decision was motivated by environmentalist





objections and legal proce-dures in Switzerland on top of high land prices and staff

Figures show that at the beginning of last year the 15 largest Swiss companies had 684,700 employees in other countries, compared with 147.600 at home.

Both companies and envi-ronmentalists support the "pollution certificates" initiative taken by the two Basle authorities, in the city and in the rest of the canton. These certificates are vouchers awarded to installations that have pollution levels below a set limit. A company which exceeds the limit can buy one of the vouchers, and is then allowed to remain above the limit, but it may exceed the limit only by half the percentage by which the company from which it bought the voucher was below the limit.

The objective is to set an overall limit to pollution and. through the sale of the vouchers, reduce it. Environmentalist groups can themselves reduce the total pollution by buying vouchers.

FRANCE

Panel beater

R hône-Poulenc, France's state-controlled chemicals giant, is surviving the slump better than most, Barbara Casassus writes. Revenues and profits are up, debt is down. and the company is pointing in the direction that Jean-Rene Fourtou, its chairman, was seeking when he embarked on a drive for acquisitions in the

This week M. Fourtou comes to the end of his present threeyear term, his second, together with his colleagues in other state-owned enterprises, and the dusiness community holding its breath to see which

of them will be reappointed. M Fourtou should stand a strong chance of receiving a third term, if L'Expansion, the economic magazine, is any guide. In April a panel of independent experts, commissioned by the magazine, gave Rhône-Poulenc top marks among 14 nationalised companies for profitability, productivity, investment and level of debt. The panel applauded the company for comparing well with its American and German competitors, and for being "one of the best examples of intelligent behaviour by the state-shareholder".

Reports were not always as glowing. When M Fourtou embarked on his spending policy after taking over in 1986, the sceptics questioned its wisdom. The programme doubled group turnover, turned the company into one of Europe's five leading chemicals manufacturers and established a solid presence in the United States through the \$2 billion purchase of a majority stake in Rorer, the American harmaceuticals maker, in 1990. It also, however, built up a FFr34 billion (£3.5 billion) debt.

Since then, the company has placed a moratorium on takeovers, and is working to cut costs and sell off nonstrategic businesses in order to

concentrate on its core activities: in pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals, fibres and polymers, speciality chemicals and some intermediates. The aim is to trim the debt-to-equity ratio, which was more than 90 per cent at its peak, to 50 per cent by 1993.

The sceptics have been confounded. Group net profit rose by 3.2 per cent in 1991, and 78.4 per cent in the first quarter of this year. The American operation is paying its way, and Rhône-Poulenc Rorer, the subsidiary into which all the company's pharmaceuticals interests have been merged, is expected to increase its net profit by 30 per cent this year.

he Italian chemical indus-I try is split between the public and private sectors, and has been the field for running battles between the two, John Earle writes.

The latest upset is in the state sector, over an ethylene pipeline built for Enichem Anic, part of the ENI group. between Ravenna and Ferrara. It cost twice as much as was authorised, with the result that the Anic chairman has lost his job and the case is being investigated by the public prosecutor.

Enichem was until recently called Enimont, and was an equal partnership between the public sector (ENI) and the private (Montedison), designed to provide a powerful force on home and foreign markets. The partnership proved unworkable, howeve s Raul Gardini of Montedison strove for control. In November 1990 ENI used government money to buy out

Montedison's share. This was followed in June last year by another split, when Signor Gardini was ejected by the Ferruzzi family from the family-controlled Ferruzzi-Montedison chemical and 100 may 223

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food group.

Montedison has put its chemical operations into a sub-holding company. Montecatini. The name revives memories of the 1960s. when Edison, an electrical utility, took over Montecatini. a big chemical company. The resultant Montedison proved a giant of clay, and for years was the object of often bitter contention between leaders of private and state industry.

Today both Enichem and Montedison-Montecatini are still feeling the international recession, particularly Enichem with its heavier productive activities. The third important name in the industry is Snia-BPD, part of the Fiat group, which is important in chemical fibres as well as defence and space, and is diversifying more into sectors such as bio-engineering and health equipment.

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Big challenges, big fees

Edward Fennell looks at the role of the corporate

taking fat fees from Olympia & York, the Maxwell empire and BCCI does little to win popularity for the legal profession. In those cases where fraud has been committed there is a strong feeling that the profession has stood by only to be richly rewarded for clearing up the mess.

Corporate lawyers are, predictably, sensitive to accusa-tions of being negligent, let alone complicit, if abuses have The samps how taken place. In response they argue that without their efforts transcer Groupper including and skills the public as well as business community would be far worse off.

Moreover, the risks are considerable. To come out of such Rank to the same a case badly could ruin a reputation for a generation.

Gordon Stewart, the insolvency pariner at Allen & Overy involved with the Maxwell administration, said: "A case like this is like walking a tightrope — it is OK so long as you do not look down. Only a few firms have the resources and confidence to succeed." How successful any of the nies. Mr

firms involved will be remains to be seen. There was disap-pointment last week at affall pointment last week at Simmons, for example. BCCI creditors had San Balance rejected the proposed £1.7 billion compensation deal that the firm had helped to negotiate worldwide.

Coordinating the responses from lawyers operating across a variety of jurisdictions had tested key partners' legal and organisational capabilities. Reputations can be made and broken on these cases and 1. W. S. 272. winning such work gives lawyers the chance to prove their mettle at the highest level.

Typically, such dramas erupt out of the blue. BCCI descended on Simmons & lawyers in the Maxwell and BCCI disputes

holiday period last year. Many partners were away, or about to depart. For years the firm had acted for the private office of the ruler of Abu Dhabi and one of its key partners responsible for links with the country was en route to the Middle East when the scandal broke. After a day of crowded, anxious meetings he flew direct back to London to plunge into action on his client's behalf.

For Mr Stewart, the Maxwell case was unexpected. His first warning of what might be coming was a late-night telephone call in December from an Arthur

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Andersen partner, John Taibot, the accountant appointed administrator of the various Maxwell private compa-Stewart re-

calls: "I was at home when John Talbot telephoned me. I had known John for some time but it came as a complete surprise to be invited to get involved in the Maxwell case. Like everybody else I had no idea just how

serious matters were." Previous co-operation with Mr Talbot on important insolvency cases had provided a solid base for the selection of Mr Stewart to take on the work. In these large administration cases lawyers and accountants must work hand in hand. They need good personal and professional relationships with trust on both sides. In many cases decisions have

There is no room for the accountants to have doubts about their legal advisers' ca-

The main stumbling block at the start is the danger of the law firm being "conflicted out", or made ineligible because of conflicts of interest. The substance of Mr Talbot's call to Mr Stewart was: "If Maxwell goes can you take it

on? Are you free to act?"
Unhesitatingly, Mr Stewart said he wanted to do it. The issue of conflicts, however, took longer to settle. The widesuch as Allen & Overy could

be kept abreast of developwas exciuded ments legally and in the from the case. had no idea how firms have introduced special reason Simcuttings services to ensure that mons & Simmons was careful not to the day's press coverage is on rule itself out by taking on & Simmons have been equipped with mobile telework from phones, and Mr Stewart and his team also carry pagers.

in the early days of the affair. Strict internal disciplines were imposed by Jerry Walters, one that did not happen. Once the work was started,

resources had to be marshalled and the people secured. About 60 lawvers have been involved in both the BCCI and the Maxwell cases. Other facilities and administrative systems had to be put in place, security systems in-stalled, special offices allocated, and rigorous checks made on confidentiality.

In the BCCI case Simmons & Simmons has, in effect, established an office in Abu

firms, however, agree that normal life just stops when such a large piece of work drops on them and that a toll is taken on home and family life. Half a dozen babies have been London negotiations are conborn to key lawyers in the past ducted around the clock. As nine months or so, conceived, the globe turns, so matters are of course, before the project regularly sent from one time started, and the fathers have been granted only one day's For the leading partners the

leave to welcome the child. None the less, as among soldiers cast into battle, the pressure brings its own excitement. "Fundamentally this is the sort of work you come into the City to do," Mr Walters says. "If you do not like the hours or you cannot stand the strain, then you should not be doing it."

The teams accept they are unlikely to see anything comparable again in corporate taw: Just how well they have done, and whether the results justify those fees, will increasingly become a matter of intense public scrutiny.

Ward appeal proves the case for reform

DAVID

PANNICK QC

THE Court of Appeal recently quashed the conviction of Judith Ward for the M62 coach bombing carried out by the IRA in 1974. Its judgment illuminates the agenda

for reform of the criminal justice system. Miss Ward spent more than 18 years in prison because of three main factors: the prosecution's failure to disclose material evidence, the weight given to unreliable confession evidence, and the partisan performance of the scientific witnesses called by the Crown. Similar factors have been responsible for the other miscarriages of justice recently considered by the court.

The court criticised the prosecution for concealing information supporting Miss Ward's defence at the 1974 trial. The three judges stated, unequivocally, the duty on all concerned with the prosecution to disclose any material that might even arguably be relevant to the defendant's guilt or innocence. If the Crown considers there are

public interest reasons for not disclosing the material, this issue should be put to the court for a decision.

Because of the public inter-

est in the acquittal of the innocent, non-disclosure of relevant material in a criminal case will very rarely, if ever, be justified by public interest immunity. Indeed, when the Lord Chancellor, Lord Kilmuir, made a statement on Crown privilege in the House of Lords in 1956, he said it would not be claimed where documents "are relevant to the defence in criminal proceedings".

Disclosure to the defence of material that is not used by the prosecution during a criminal trial was the subject

of guidelines issued by the Attorney-General in December 1981. Those guidelines are inadequate. They wrongly suggest that it is for the prosecution to decide in its own interest whether to refuse to disclose material for public policy reasons.

There is an urgent need for a revised set of guidelines or, preferably, a practice direc-tion from the Court of Appeal or legislative reform, building on the Ward judgment and setting out in more detail the obligations on

Part of the evidence relied on by the prosecution at Miss Ward's trial consisted of confessions she made when she was mentally disturbed. As the US Supreme Court observed in 1966, the privilege against self-incrimination has roots that "go back into ancient times". The court noted that the 12th-century Talmudic scholar Maimonides understood the Old Testament as stating "the divine decree" that "no man is to be declared guilty on his own

Maimonides explained that this was to prevent depressed or deluded persons from being punished for crimes that they claimed to have committed but for which they were not responsible. There was, other Talmudic scholars explained, too great a danger that reliance on a confession detracted from other evidence and inhibited objective judgment. So, when a young Amalekite soldier confessed to David that he had killed King Saul, David hastily had the soldier put to death, despite the extenuating circumstances. The Talmud was also concerned that to permit reliance on confession evidence would encourage the state to use improper means to make a case against a suspected wrongdoer.

English law provides some restrictions on the use of confession evidence. The Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 and common law prohibit the use of a confession by an accused person if it was obtained by "oppression of the person who made it", if it was obtained in consequence of anything

said or done likely "to render unreliable any confession which might be made", or if its use in the proceedings would be unfair.

The Ward case, like the other recent miscarriage of justice appeals, suggests that the law should go further and require that juries be given a strong warning about the dangers of relying on confession evidence because of the risk that it may be inaccurate,

for any number of reasons.
It is fundamental to English criminal procedure that counsel for the prosecution is not employed to secure a conviction. His or her function is to assist the judge and jury by putting those points that can properly be made,

thereby helping to ensure that a fair trial takes place. The ethics of the prosecutor have developed since Attorney-General Coke, prosecuting Sir Walter Raleigh for high treason in 1603, told him: "I will prove you the notoriest traitor that ever came to the bar . . . thou art a monster."

Unfortunately, as the Ward case revealed. prosecution experts sometimes misunderstand their role, believing they are paid to win the case, rather than to assist the court. There is a real need for an independent forensic science service, maintaining professional objectivity, whose assistance and advice would be available to both prosecution and defence.

Mr Justice Frankfurter wrote for the US Supreme Court in 1943: 'The history of liberty has largely been the history of observance of procedural safeguards." The lesson of the Ward case is that when procedural safeguards are ignored, innocent defendants can lose their liberty for large parts of their lives.

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The £3.5m enquiry

RUMBLINGS about late payments and over-billing have erupted in disaster for a Sussex law firm. Durnford the Law Society over allega-tions that £3.5 million cannot be accounted for. Martin Allen, of Brighton solicitors Donne Milcham & Haddock, has been brought in by the Solicitors' Indemnity Fund to conduct the investigation after more than 50 complaints to the society.

Graham Ford, Durnford Ford's administrative partner, resigned two days before the investigation began. He told the local paper: "I resigned because of a difficulty which arose in one of our systems operated by my Genariment."

Mr Allen says that possibly up to E3.5 million has been withdrawn from estates and dient accounts without authorisation. The allegations will fuel the debate opened by the society as it tries to find a way to curb mounting losses in the profession.

Perhaps tightening the rules on solicitors' ability to hold clients' money should top the agenda.

I hinner Chance CLIFFORD CHANCE has made eight solicitors from its Property department redundant along with 20 administrative staff. The City firm says that although certain

sectors of the property market have held up, there is insufficient work to support the 100 or more solicitors who work in that department. The eight solicitors have been given five months to find other jobs.

The firm says the administrative lay-offs are necessitated by its move to new offices in Little Britain this year, which will allow it to bring all its lawyers under one roof, removing the need for some dministrative functions.

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MY THANKS to the magazine of the Institute of Legal Executives for the following entertaining extracts from letters to the pensions office:

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my husband, reported miss-

ing, is now dead."
"Unless I get my husband's
money I shall be forced to live an immortal life."

Rights call

THE plight of beneficiaries

who are not executors was highlighted in the report of Michael Barnes, the Legal Services Ombudsman, last week. Mr Barnes has had complaints from beneficiaries where the administration of the estate has dragged on for several years and the beneficiaries become concerned about solicitors' mounting costs. If they are not executors, they cannot require solicitors to apply for a remuneration certificate, as a way of testing whether the bill is fair. The reason is that they are not regarded as clients. Mr Barnes has asked the Law Society to extend the challenge procedure.

As for the Bar, he urges a move towards a system that is more concerned with complaints handling and not just a disciplinary system. At present, complainants have no possibility of compensation and little redress. "They have the feeling they are minor players in the profession's internal disciplinary procedures." The Bar, he says, should consider compensa-

tion awards. His report after a year in office found the commonest causes of complaints against

ication about the progress of a case, or the availability of legal aid: delays; lack of information on likely costs; faihire to reply to letters and calls: and disregarding instructions. Mr Barnes received 1,248 new cases to examine and upheld the complaint in one in three.

demands are great, not least in obtaining enough sleep to

keep going. Mr Stewart and his colleagues worked almost

non-stop for the first few days,

snatching a few hours' sleep

Coordinating and keeping a

team of lawyers informed is a

substantial undertaking. The

read-in time for new solicitors

becoming involved in BCCI is

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All the key personnel at both

Allen & Overy and Simmons

There are some points of

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Simmons has gone for elec-tronic mail as the best means

of in-office communication, Allen & Overy still believes

people need to see the original

pieces of paper or photocopies.

Simmons solicitors will go to

where the action is. Some of its

lawyers have lived for days in

aeroplanes. The Allen & Overy

approach has been to restrict

travel to the bare minimum.

for reasons of economy. Both

Attitudes towards travel also

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their desks.

No injury

THE row over electing officers at the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers (APIL) has been settled as only lawyers know how. The association, under John Melville Williams, QC, had to declare its 1992-3 election void because vice-president Simon Walton, a partner with the trade union lawyers Robin Thompson, had sent a memo to the 35 members of his firm, all APIL members. The vote was supposed to be by secret ballot but he wrote: "I shall be grateful if members will send me copies of their completed ballot papers." The memo also "suggested" how people

At the recent annual meeting these goings-on were coyly described by Mr Williams as problems in the electoral process". Mr Walton faced calls to resign. Now it seems all is resolved. Mr Walton is not to stand for any position in the new election and his firm has offered to pay the costs of holding it. This offer was, of course, made on the basis that it was not construed as an acceptance of fault. Perish the thought.

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Sir Gordon readily admits that he is taking a risk. He left the profession in 1957 to pursue an academic career and ended up as professor of law at Birmingham University be-fore becoming head of the Office of Fair Trading, a post he held for almost 17 years.

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I could have stayed on and got work. But I just hated going in every day and twiddling my thumbs.

or June Mestre (both at Quarry Dougoil thought, 'I cannot go on doing this.' He left the OFT last Friday and starts work at 4-5

Grays Inn Square, a highly respected commercial chambers in The Temple, on July 1.

Why is he going back? "I want to build on the experience I have both as an academic and as Director of Fair Trading," he says. "i do not want to be too set in my ways." It seems inconceivable, though, that Sir Gordon will

come a cropper. Although he insists he is "not a rich man", his salary at the OFT was 584.250 a year and he leaves

He was appointed a Queen's Counsel in 1986 but describes it as being made an artificial rather than a real silk". He adds: "It was not for being in practice and getting the right number of signatures from judges saying, 'He has been good in court' but

ir Gordon Borrie, the because someone in the Lord outgoing Director General of Fair Trad-Chancellor's department said, This is a chap in an important ing, is to return to the office which has a legal dimension and he is the author of a book on contempt of court,

Big businesses are likely to seek him out simply because he knows his way around the corridors of power. However, this may mean that he has to turn down work.

"There has to be a self-denying ordinance," he ex-plains. "I believe that I have a reputation for integrity and obviously it would not do to take a case as a barrister where people would say, and could say, perhaps quite properly, that I have inside knowledge of this or that I am dealing with it from inside govern-"So I am going to have to be quite careful that allegations of

that sort cannot be made," he says. "I have deliber-'It would not do ately not joined chamto take a case

where people bers that speccould say I have inside knowledge' sor, Sir Bryan Carsberg, who headed Oftel, the body that watches the telecommunications industry on behalf of consumers, took over at the OFT yesterday. But it was Sir Gordon's decision to

move on — he is the only key public office holder to have been in place before and after Mrs Thatcher's premiership. At the OFT, the media branded him a trouble-maker, but he prefers to describe the duties of the post as "to be a sceptic and to be suspicious. Nobody suggested to me that sending the car industry, or the credit card industry or the beer industry to the Monopolies Commission was trouble-

making. We send them only if there is a very good case". Sir Gordon, who stood twice as an unsuccessful parliamentary carididate for Labour in the 1950s and now says he is



Sir Gordon: "I was not a successful barrister — there was no work at the time

apolitical, considers his battle gainst the City in the mid-1980s to have been his biggest victory at the OFT.

A late return to the Bar

"Without us, there would not have been Big Bang," he says. "We started the whole thing by litigation; our reasons were that the City was anticompetitive and inefficient. If

it had not happened, the London Stock Exchange lack of parliamentary time. would be a dinosaur unable to Sir Gordon has been man compete with New York and

ried to Dorene, a Canadian, for 32 years, and has no His biggest failure, he conchildren. He will continue to cedes, is not to have got the law commute between his two tightened on price-fixing carhomes, one in Worcestershire tels. The government intro-duced a white paper in 1989, and the other conveniently in

but it was dropped through

Saving the royal bacon when beans are spilt

here is plenty of legal authority to support the lawyers' suggestion, reported in The Times last week. that an application by the Prince of Wales or another member of the royal family to restrain publication of the contents of Diana: Her True Story by Andrew Morton would be unlikely to succeed. It may be worthwhile to exolore whether there is any scope in existing law to prevent publication of confidential information.

Legal tradition has it that a duty of confidentiality depends on three things. First. the information to be suppressed must have been communicated by a confider to a confidant. Second, unless the secret is a product of the plaintiff's own labour, such as a trade secret, the relationship between confider and confidant must be of a nature to justify imposing an obligation of confidentiality on the confidant, And third, the informa-tion itself must be of sufficient significance to justify legal in-

Let us assume the third condition is satisfied. There is still a problem: first, it appears that the information published by Mr Morton may have been information passed in confidence by a confider (the princess) to a confidant (Morton's informant).
On a traditional view, this

would not be enough to create a duty because of the second condition, which insists that confider and confident must stand in a special relationship.

Such a relationship may include doctor and patient, lawyer and client, priest and penitent, and, as in the cele brated case of the Duke and Duchess of Argyll, husband and wife. There the judge awarded an injunction, emphasising that the common law had a historical function of protecting the integrity of the marriage relation.

Marriages would be weak ened if spouses were infected with the suspicion that marital confidences could be disclosed in the event of breakdown.

The purpose of imposing the obligation of confidentiality on the confidant then was to protect society's revered institutions from collapse, rather than to protect confi-

Should more remedies be devised to protect the privacy

of marriage?



Prince: no power in case?

dences per se. On this view of the authorities, the Prince of Wales is powerless to prevent publication of the book for the imple reason that it contains no secrets confided by him to his wife.

There have, however, been a number of cases in recent years which lend support to the view that if the Princess wanted, she herself could pre-vent publication of information which she had confided to a confidant.

The most compelling authority for this is a case in 1988 in which the Daily Mail published information about a esbian affair allegedly entered into by the plaintiff which she had confided to a friend, the Mail's informant

The judge, relying on au-



Princess could take action

such as Argyll, and trade secrets cases, rejected the argu-ment that personal confidences were protected only if communicated within a spe-cial relationship, such as

marriage.

This remarkable development opened up the possibility of a fully fledged judge-made right to privacy at some future date, one which a benignant interpretation of the authorities might entitle even the Prince to exploit.

A few months later, in the Spycatcher case, this viewpoint was confirmed by the House of Lords Lord Goff asserted uncompromisingly that "a duty of confidence arises when confidential information comes to the knowledge of (the confidant) in circumstances where he has notice, or is held to have agreed, that the information is

Lord Keith went further: The right to personal privacy is clearly one which the law should in this field seek to protect. If a profit has been made through the revelation in breach of confidence of details of a person's private life it is appropriate that the profit should be accounted for to that

There is nothing here to limit the obligation to cases where the confidant stood in a position of special trust to the confider. The basis for the court's intervention is simply to prevent the injustice of a person who has received information in confidence from spilling the beans".

It seems clear therefore, that a good deal of heavyweight judicial opinion is in favour of a development that will protect those whose private lives are most liable to suffer scrutiny by the gossip hunters and papa-

If the development is sustained, how the judges could distinguish between those everyday breaches of confi-dence which we all, in our private schools for scandal, are wont to commit and those which so enrage our emotions, as in this latest example of baiting the royals, is anyone's

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No right of silence after charge in Serious Fraud Office inquiries

Regina v Director of the Serious Fraud Office, Ex parte Smith

Before Lord Templeman, Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Ackner, Lord Lowry and Lord Mustill Speeches June 11]

The Director of the Serious Fraud Office was entitled to continue to question a person under investiga-tion by him pursuant to the ons of the Criminal Justice Act 1987 after he had been charged with an offence and he was not entitled to the right of

The House of Lords allowed an spoeal by the Director of the Serious Fraud Office from the Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Noian and Mr Justice Potts) (The Times November 13, 1991; [1992] I All ER 730), which had granted Mr Wallace Duncan Smith, on his notion for judicial review notice_served on him by the director under section 2 of the 1987 Act, a declaration to the effect that before being asked questions after charge a fresh caution should be administered stating that he was not obliged to answer and that the fact of such caution would be a reasonable excuse for refusing to answer within section 2(13).

Mr Sydney Kentridge, QC and Mr Nigel Pleming, QC, for the director, Mr Andrew Collins, QC and Mr David Hood for Mr

LORD MUSTILL said that the appeal raised an important ques-tion on two aspects of what was compendiously, albeit inaccurately, called "the right of silence". Mr Smith was the chairman and managing director of Wallace Smith Trust Co Ltd. On April 27. 1991, he had informed the Bank of England that the company was in financial difficulty. Events had moved quickly. The police had been called and on the following

day they had arrested Mr Smith. On April 30, after a number of interviews, at the outset of which he had no doubt been cautioned. he had been charged that between January 1, 1985 and April 29, 1991, he had been knowingly a party to the carrying on of the company's business with intent to defraud its creditors, contrary to section 458 of the Companies Act

The police officer had then tioned Mr Smith again, as had been his duty under paragraph 16.5 of Code C of the Police and (s.66): Codes of Practice (second edition (1991)).
It might be assumed that the

"You do not have to say anything unless you wish to do so, but what you say may be given in evidence". It might also be assumed that thereafter the police officers had abstained, as was their duty under Code C, from conducting any further interviews with Mr Smith in relation to the offence with which he had been charged, save perhaps in the limited respects rmitted by the code.

On May 7 Mr Smith had been Meanwhile, the director had me aware of suspicion attaching to the affairs of the company and at an early stage had formed the opinion that the matter was appropriate for investigation by procedures created by the 1987

Section I of that Act provided. inter alia: "(3) The director may rigate any suspected offere which appears to him . . . to involve

serious or complex fraud. ... Section 2 provides: "(2) The director may by notice in writing require the person whose affairs are to be investigated ... to answer questions or otherwise furnish information with respect to any matter relevant to the investigation

"(8) A statement by a person in by virtue of this section may only be ed in evidence against him — (a) on a prosecution for an offer under subsection (14) below; or (b) on a prosecution for some other offence where in giving evidence he maker a statem

at a specified place...

"(13) Any person who without reasonable excuse fails to comply with a requirement imposed on him under this section shall be him under tos secon-guity of an offence...

"(14) A person who, in pur-ported compliance with a require-ment under this section — (a) makes a statement which he know

be guilty of an offence." A formal notice under section 2 pairing Mr Smith's attendance questions and furnish information had been served on him on June 6. 1991 and, after postponement of the interview to allow him a

lse or misleading ... shall

change of legal representation, a further notice had been served on him on June 24.

In a letter to Mr Smith on June 5, an assistant director of the SFO had said, inter olio:

"(2) Unlike a police interview you will not be given what is called a caution. Under the [1987 Act] you are obliged to answer truthfully questions put to you...

"(4) You can be prosecuted if you dishonestly answer or, without reasonable excuse, fail to answer

onestions put to you..."

Mr Smith sought to uphold the Divisional Court judgment on two grounds: first, that reading the words of the 1987 Act in their natural sense the director's power under investigation ceased from that, whatever the words of the Act might suggest, the conflict with Code C and a long-established right of alence was so acute that the Act had to be understood as subject to an implied exception in the case of persons who had been charged.

Paragraph 16.5 of Code C provided: "Questions relating to provided: "Questions relating to an offence may not be put to a person after he has been charged with that offence, or informed that he may be prosecuted for it..." The expression "the right of silence" aroused strong but un-focused feelings. In truth, it did not denote any single right but rather referred to a disparate group of immunities, which differed in nature, origin, incidence and im-

nature, origin, incidence and im-portance and also as to the extent to which they had already been encreached on by stanue.

Mr Smith's first proposition was impossible to sustain. The only feasible ground, as a matter of right to ask questions and demand isweis came to an end on charging was that the suspect was no longer a person whose affairs were to be investigated so that there could no longer be "any

matter relevant to the

That interpretation was unreal. It was true that in a simple case the investigation of a suspect's criminality might well terminate at the moment of charging but often that would not be so.

As paragraph 11.4 of Code C made clear, the police officer was obliged to charge a suspect as soon as he believed that there was tion to succeed, but nobody could expect the police simply to cease work on the case and rely at the trial only on the material revealed. up to the moment of charging.
As to Mr Smith's second propo-

sition, it could not be doubted that there was a strong presumption against interpreting a statute as taking away the right of stlence, at least in some of its forms. Lord Griffiths, in Lam Chi-ming v The Queen (1991] 2 AC 212, 222), had described the privilege against self-incrimination as "deep rooted in English law", and his Lordship would not wish to minimise its importance in any way.

importance in any way.

Nevertheless, it was clear that statutory interference with the right was almost as old as the right. itself. The statutes in question red widely as to their aims and

ture had not shrunk, where it had scemed appropriate, from interfering in a greater or lesser degree with the immunities grouped under the title of the right to

Nor was anything to be gained by analysing the reported cases in area of the law. Most of them were concerned with admissibility of evidence, which was not in issue in the instant case, and none, aside from those to which his Lordship referred (A v HM Treasury (1979) WLR 1056). DPP v Ellis (1973) 1 WLR 722) and R v Director the SFO. Ex parte Saunders (1988) 138 NLJ 143)) had arisen

where in the face of clear and general language it had been contended that Parliament must nevertheless have intended the words of the statute to have only a immed effect. It was true that the 1987 Act went further than any other drawn to their Lordships' attention. It was also true that section 2(8) did not provide complete protection since

information obtained in answer to questions (for example, the loca-tion of funds in a foreign bank account) could lead to the disclo-sure of damaging facts that, once known, could be proved by other means, even if the answers themselves could not be put in evidence That was not, however, a unique eature of that particular type of

The history of paragraph 16.5 of Code C showed that it was not directly linked to the ancient and

aimed to protect all citizens against being compelled to condemn themselves, but the law had never set out to protect a subject who condemned himself while actine of his own free will. Its only concern had been to ensure that he really did so act, by the general rule that excluded from evidence any

confession not proved to have been

It was to secure that aim, and in recognition that a person in custody was in a specially vulnerable position, that it had been thought safer to prohibit questioning after a certain point and to exclude from evidence answers given to such questioning.

expressed in terms of a prohibition directed towards investigating police officers, it was in essence a development of the law relating to the admissibility of confessions

Once that was recognised, the reasoning of Mr Smith's argument fell away. Their Lordships were not concerned with the admissibility at the trial of responses to questions by the director: section 2(8) took care of that, Nor were they concerned with ensuring that the responses were voluntary, since the whole purpose of section 2 was to ensure that they no reason to force on to section 2 an unspoken qualification with which it had nothing to do.

Mr Smith had argued that, if section 2 stood unqualified, the inquisitorial powers of the director would continue to be exercisable until the prosecution was either dropped or concluded by a verdict.

Counsel had conjured up the picture of the accused person, after a gruelling day in court, returning to the cells to be met with the sight of an official of the SFO armed with a further batch of questions. which he would be forced to answer on pain of being prov-

His Lordship found it improsible to believe that the director would send an an official to interview a defendant during his trial, even if there were anything to he gained, which was hard to see. as his answers would not be

Aside from that, there were ample remedies to ensure that the director's powers were not abused. Other than in a most exceptional case, a trial judge who heard that a defendant in the charge of a junwas being interrogated under compulsory powers would not hesitate about what to do.

His Lordship concluded that as a matter of interpretation the director's powers did not cease, as regarded the person under in-vestigation, when he was charged; that the principle of common sense, expressed in the maxim generalia specialibus non derogant, entailed that the general provisions of Code C yielded to the particular provisions of the 1987 Act in cases to which it applied: and that neither history nor logic demanded that any qualification of what Parliament had so clearly enacted ought to be implied. Lord Templeman, Lord Bridge.

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Mansell victim of own killer instinct

FROM NORMAN HOWELL IN MONTREAL

NIGEL Mansell's dramatic exit from the Canadian grand prix here on Sunday could have been worse. At least Mansell and his Williams team have kept their com-manding leads in the drivers' and constructors' championships. But the incident in which Mansell crashed off the Circuit Gilles Villeneuve while duelling with Ayrton Senna has raised again the doubts about his ability to sustain a world championship challenge.

There might be some de-gree of bad luck that follows Mansell on his travels. But a true champion makes his own huck. Mansell does not seem able to do so. That may be because when he gets into the car he allows his heart to rule his head. The result is that Nigel Mansell OBE, multi-millionaire and dutiful father of two, turns into a beast of prey, one that must go for the

kill come what may.

There is always talk in sport of the killer instinct, not only in boxing or football but in snooker and chess too. But this instinct, this drive to beat and destroy the opposition can turn into a destructive force, and eventually into a selfdestructive one.

Talk to any driver in Formula One and all will tell you that Mansell cannot fail to win the title this year. "Unless," says the collective voice of the paddock, "he messes it up himself.

What was he doing on Sunday, trying to overtake Senna so early in the race, when all the other drivers. having had a look at that particular corner, elected to bide their time and wait for someone else to make a mis-

It was Mansell who made that mistake. The point is that he did not need to overtake the world champion, not at that

Walker, captain of Europe's

Solheim Cup team for the

match against the Americans

at Dalmahov in Edinburgh in October, is club professional at

feel about the Solheim Cup

this year," Walker said. "Last

time, in their heart of hearts,

our players didn't believe they

could win. Now they really feel

'it's great for Anne-Marie

and I'm delighted Laura's

back on form. Laura plays golf

like Seve, with the flair and

Davies missed four cuts in a

There's a totally different

the Warren.

irs possible.

talent that he has."



Press-ganged: Mansell, harassed in Canada, is having to learn to cope with the demands of being a world championship favourite

stage, and one may argue, not at all, as judiciously aggressive driving from behind might have just forced Senna into making an error in the later stages of the race. As it happened, Senna's McLaren dropped out with mechanical problems later, leaving his teammate Gerhard Berger, to drive on to victory.

All drivers go through an evolutionary pattern. They start as young chargers, naive but courageous, at times wild. Jean Alesi, the Ferrari diver who finished third on Sunday. is emerging from that phase. The better ones then mature into men conscious of their ability. They drive within their limits, yet are still young and talented enough to take their oppponents on. Senna is one

Then there are the elder statesmen, whose knowledge of driving and cars is so huge that they let that take over from the fire in the belly. Alain Prost drove like that in his last

Of course age comes into this. At 39, Mansell is the oldest driver in Formula One. Only Patrese comes near him

GOLF: NEW JERSEY RESULT BOOSTS MORALE IN EUROPEAN CAMP FOR SOLHEIM CUP IN OCTOBER

on that score. Yet you will never see Patrese begin to attempt what Mansell tried on Sunday. It is that killer instinct. That is how Mansell is, and I have always admired him for that. Yet the attempt at overtaking Senna, and the subsequent unpleasantness that Mansell directed at Ron Dennis, the owner of

McLaren, are indefensible. His behaviour has let everyone down. Himself first, because when he does things right, he is the most exciting driver in the world. He has let Frank Williams down, the

team owner who has had to battle more than once on Mansell's behalf. He has also let the supporters down. because there was not much to cheer for the tens of thousands of Canadians who streamed into the circuit with the Union Jacks and Mansell banners.

Lastly, but most importantly, he lets down the team, all of whom are working for him to become world champion. Now it is really up to Mansell to prove through his driving that he is not bedevilled by misfortune and can withstand

- DETAILS

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: Drivers (after seven rounds): 1, N Marsell (GB), 56pts; 2, R Patrese (tl), 28; 3, M Schumacher (Ger), 26; equal 4, A Senna (Br) and G Berger (Austria), 18; 6, J Ales (Pr), 11; equal 7, M Alborero (t) and M Brundle (GB), 5; 9, A de Cear's (U), 4; 10, k Wendlinger (Austria), 3; equal 11, I Capelli (t) and P Martini (t); 2; equal 12, J Herbert (GB), M Halddren (Fin), 8 Gachot (Bel), and E Comas (F), Constructors: 1, Williams, 84pts; 2, McLaren, 36, 3, Benetton, 31; 4, Fernar, 13; 5, Foothock, 5; 6, Tymell, 4; 7, March, 3; equal 8, Lotus and

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Davies shakes off poor form Mitchell breaks new ground

By PATRICIA DAVIES

row at the start of the US THEY may not be singing season, and some blamed her and dancing in the streets of St Jean de Luz to celebrate Anneloss of form on her loss of weight. She is at least 50 Marie Palli's victory over Laupounds lighter than last aura Davies in the ShopRite tumn. But a round of 64 at La Classic in New Jersey on Sunday, but at least there is Manga last month stopped iubilation at Woodham Walter in Essex There. Mickey



Born 37 years ago at Ciboure, near St Jean de Luz in southwest France, Palli had become almost the forgotten European. In 1983, her best season, she earned \$56,335. On Sunday, she won \$60,000. Paul had a birdie inree ai

the last hole to tie with Davies on 207, six under par, one shot ahead of Betsy King, who had a double bogey at the 18th. The 18th was the first hole of the play-off and Davies drove into the trees for a five. Palli hit a seven-iron to two feet for another birdie three. teet for another birdle three.

LEADING FINAL SCORES (US unless stated) 207: A M Palis (Fr. 68, 69, 69; L Davies (GB), 71, 67, 69 (Palis won first hote of losy-oft), 208: E King, 71, 88, 69, 209: P Sinn, 71, 72, 66, A Okamoro (Japan), 70, 69, 70, 210; M Mallon, 70, 70, 70; D Lof-land, 70, 69, 71, 211; A Alcon, 70, 72, 69; C Keggi, 73, 67, 71; L Merten, 71, 69, 71; H Yoboyash (Lapan), 56, 73, 72; 213; I Wyen, 74, 71, 68, 214; K Albert, 74, 73, 67; E Crosby, 74, 70, 70; J Larsen, 72, 71, 71, M edge, 69, 73, 72; 215; L Neumann (Swej, 78, 70, 57; D Andrews, 69, 74, 72; D Eggeling, 73, 67, 73.

Other British scores: 216; K Dawes, 71.

pressed her surprise at the character of the golfers she was transporting to and from the course at Henndorf, near Salzburg, for the Mitsubishi Tournament last week. Unaware that in many countries now, unlike in Austria, it is no longer a sport for the few, she said: "They're really quite

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ordinary, not at all snobby." Well, they do not come much more ordinary or much less snobby than Peter Mitchell, the new Austrian Open champion. He was born in the Old Kent Road in 1958 and the influence still shows in his homely south London accent. He is, patently and plebe-

ianly, honest. He was of a mind to question the merit of his victory on Sunday on the ground that he had chipped in at the 18th for his third eagle of the round. "It's not like holing a five-foot putt, is it?"

FROM JOHN HENNESSY IN SALZBURG

It was Mitchell's first victory on the Volvo PGA European Tour. Until now his best result, in 18 years as a professional, had been third place, in Monte Carlo last year and again in Jersey in April.

when the Milichell Iamii moved to the comparatively sylvan suburbs of Bexlevheath. he was introduced to golf by an uncle at Woodlands Manor, near the Brands Hatch racing track. He found a natural gift for the game and became, at 16, an assistant at Woodlands Manor.

He does not fit the usual perception of a sporting hero, only Sft 8in and 11st 2lb with lank fair hair. It is hard to decide whether the greater surprise is that he has broken through at last or that he has taken so long to do it.

He has no particular idea what he will do with the £58,000 prize, or what is left of

it after tax and levies, but it will certainly help to cover his mortgage. "I've been paying it off slowly." he said. "Now I can pay if off fast." He lives at Ruckinge, in Kent, with his wife. Karen, and their three aaugnters, inclu

year-old twins. He reckons to play the game "at only 75 per cent par, with always another 30 yards in reserve when it matters. The important thing is to keep the ball where the mower goes." His favourite shot? "A fourinch putt." A lovely man.

inch putt." A Jovely man.

VOLVO EuroPEAN ORDER OF MERIT:
Leading positions (68 and in unless stated) 1, T Johnstone (21m), £249,483; 2, A Forsward (88ee), £225,243; 3, N Faldo, £214,019; 4, J-M Olazabal (8p), £200,023; 5, J Rivero (5p), £169,827; 6, P Senior (Aus), £160,956; 7, C Montgometrie, £132,911; 8, O Gilford, £125,940; 9, V Singh Fift, £125,647; 10, C O'Connor Jr., £122,288; 5 Ballesteros (5p), £119,860; 12, R Rafferty, £113,663; 13, J-M Centzares, (5p), £109,025; 14, A Sherborne, £108,235; 15, P Mitchell, £104,359; 16, S Richardson, £98,654; 17, G Evins, £97,483; 18, B Lang, £95,782; 19, B Langer (Ger), £92,755; 20, G Brand Jr., £91,073.

RUGBY UNION

Students present sterner test for **England hopefuls**

FROM DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

NEIL Back, the Leicester flanker, whose first game in New Zealand last Saturday was so impressive, takes on additional responsibilities in the third game of the England B tour at Athletic Park here tomorrow. He will lead the pack against New Zealand Universities in what is expected to be the harder of the two matches this week. Saturday's is against the second division province, Wairarapa Bush.

The England management will examine further the ability of those who did well in the opening tour game at Oamaru last week, but against the undemanding opposition provided by North Otago. Thus Steve Hackney, who scored three tries last Wednesday, plays on the right wing and the front row of Hynes,

Dunn and Ubogu reappears.

Damian Hopley gets
another chance to build an another chance to build an understanding with the two Bath players, Barnes and de Glanville, in the centres, and in the second row David Sims is paired with Martin Bayfield, the leading lock by virtue of his seniority and apperions as well as his experience as well as his height. Philip de Glanville has recovered from a badly bruised thigh but David Scully's haematoma needs rest. If Aadel Kardooni is

forced to leave the field, Back will work the scrum. "This game will be a different sort of challenge for us," Graham Smith, the England manager. said. "We expect a more fluid sort of match to that against Southland where they tried, and to an extent succeeded, to break up our pattern of play. We contributed to some of our second-half problems and there was an acceptance by our players that

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they were ring rusty. The New Zealand Universities, due to defend the Student World Cup in Italy next month, have not assembled since last June, when they provided cannon fodder for a New Zealand XV which beat them 37-12. They include Jason Hewett, Auckland's first-choice scrum half ahead of Ant Strachan, the current All Black, and Steve Cottrell, of Wellington, at centre.

(Lecciser), Searres (earn), A Naroboni (Lecciser), W Hynes (Ortell), K Dunn (Gloucester), V Ubogu (Bath), M Green-wood (Nottingham), D Sims (Gloucester), M Bayfield (Northampton), N Back, (Lecciser), B Clarke (Bath), Replacements: Sexuale, (Northampton), S. Thempson

RUGBY LEAGUE

Harrison called to Australia

FROM KEITH MACKUN IN SYDNEY

KARL Harrison, the Halifat front-row forward, is to join the injury-hit Great Britain touring team in Australia. He replaces Ian Lucas, the Wigan forward, who suffered severe concussion in the 22-6 defeat against Australia in Sydney

last Friday.
Such are their injury prob-lems, Britain were unable to select four substitutes for the match against New South Wales Country this morning. Bradley Clyde, the Australia

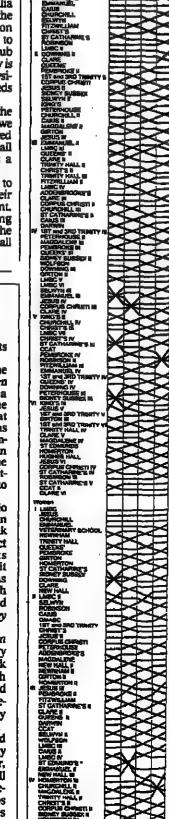
ioose forward, who won i man-of-the-match award on Friday, has been forbidden to train by Tim Sheens, his club coach at Canberra. "Bradley is worn out and bruised, physically and mentally, and needs a rest," Sheens said.

☐ Scarborough Pirates, the third division club, who owe £6,000 in rent, have moved out of Scarborough Football Club and may fold unless a sponsor can be found.

Chorley Borough, forced to leave Victory Park after their landlords increased the rent, are to move to neighbouring Grundy Hill - home of the HFS Loans League football dub. Horwich RM1.

ROWING

headship of Cambridge University May races to their success in the Lent races last term. They rowed over, three lengths clear of the deposed head boat, Downing, on Saturday. Magdalene moved up to sixth. Lady Margaret occupy the leading positions in both sets of women's races.



POOLS FORECAST

Regent's hopes likely to take a knock at Fitzroy

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VICTORIA FIFTH DIVISION

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA FIRST DIVISION

REGENT are faltering in their attempt to stay with the leaders in the Victoria third division. A home draw against Eltham United on Saturday did not help their cause and they could be held again at

Although third from bottom. Fitzroy are improving and their 3-0 victory at Co-burg suggests that they can share the points with Regent. motion to the Victoria fourth division were dealt a blow when they lost 3-1 to the bottom club. Knox Park. East Altona may not have recovered by the time they play Springvale City at home and a draw looks the best they can hope for. Bathurst v Nineveh is the pick of the other draws.

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BEST DRAWS: Fitzroy, East Altona, Para Hills, Southside, Bathurst. AWAYS: Springvale, Bentleigh, Pascoe

CYCLING

Dawes trains herself and defies BCF

SALLY Dawes, silver medal winner in last year's world junior road race and British track pursuit champion, began to plan a new future in cycling after hearing yesterday in Colorado Springs that her absence in the United States had cost her a place in next month's Olympic Games

(Peter Bryan writes). The 18-year-old from Arnold. Nottinghamshire, had flown to America last Saturday for high altitude training in defiance of the British Cycling Federation's insistence that she join the men's track team for eight days of Olympic preparation in

Ghent, Belgium. Doug Dailey, the national coach, made it clear yesterday that the young British champion's selection "will not be confirmed". She was out.

Dawes commented from her American base: "I half expected it. I'm not in with the right crowd. Before I came here at some cost I was determined to prepare com-pletely for the Games. Now that has been destroyed. But I'll say this. I won't be returning to Britain yet but will stay here and train for the national track championships at Leicester in August. I've entered for all five titles."

Next year Dawes wants to ☐ Vince Wright | turn to mountain bike racing.

BY HENRY KELLY CHANNEL 4 gave us the first live televised baseball

game on British television in the early hours of Sunday and committed hara-kiri in the bargain. At least it sounded as if they were committing hara-kiri.

What they were actually doing was giving us a huge beaming American sporting legend, one Harry Caray, who has been broadcasting major-league baseball for 46 years and who, when not leading the singing at Wrigley Field in Chicago, does the com-mentary for the Cubs on television and radio.

The man is a star. He has a huge head, a receding mop of grey hair and a pair of enormous spectacles that make him look like Dan Maskell with Sunni Mann's What he doesn't know

about baseball isn't worth knowing. The man is likely to be a favourite with British audiences whenever we get to see him. if only for his engaging method of calling out cricket scores. Cricket scores? Yes. For

some extraordinary reason, best known only to itself, Channel 4 decided to superimpose on our screens, at one o'clock in the morning, the cricket scores from the previous day. But nobody told poor old Harry how to call Thus, when he read that a

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SPORT ON **TELEVISION** THE WEEK IN VIEW

Promising coverage at first base

side had scored 309 for nine declared, he said: "Wow! Look at that 309 dash 9. Say. Steve, you musta bin pitchin

for the other guys!"
He meant no offence, and I'm sure none has been taken at Lord's, but what he was doing calling cricket scores in the first place is beyond me. I was fascinated by the baseball but was irritated by the coverage. It was bitty, a

bit sloppy and punctuated by far too many adverts. It was a good idea to have a go at another television sport. and we all know that Channel 4 has been trying to find a successor to American football for some time now. I think they have found it but

they must do better. Mick Luckhurst is a good sports presenter who, on his own admission, knows little about baseball, being more expert at American football. No matter. I know very little about baseball and his admission put him on my side at

His co-pilots through the evening, principally Jay Johnstone, were experts but, unfortunately, told me things only other experts would ap-

preciate. No matter how hard Mick tried to keep up, he and the rest of us - were out of the understanding of the

On reflection, I think Channel 4 might have started half an hour earlier with a programme explaining the basics of baseball. On the intrusive adverts,

they really were a pain. On several occasions, even in the first hour or so. Luckhurst and Johnstone were trying to explain something when up popped Mike Parkinson advertising spectacles! Some of the video inserts

were excellent. I particularly liked the historical note about Wrigley Field. its founders and history, and Harry's moist-eyed nostalgia for the early days before the stadium gave in and became



Luckhurst: new role

the last to have floodlights and hold night games. I'm sure that when the

teething troubles have been cleared, baseball will be a success for Channel 4. The first attempt was not bad at all and the whole thing was considerably more entertaining than trying to keep an interest in watching the teams in the European football championship trying to score even one goal. There used to be a radio

game in Ireland years ago in which actors started to speak on an undisclosed subject and, when contestants thought they knew what it was, they buzzed in. It was compered by a famous Irish broadcaster, Nial Boden, and was called What Are They Talking About? I kept thinking of it when

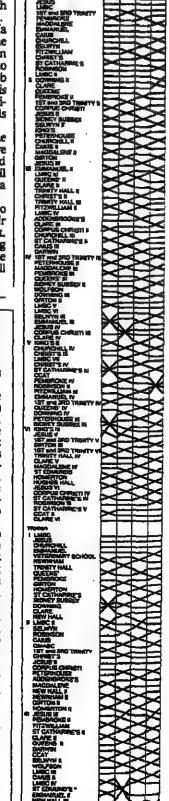
listening to Jimmy Hill, Terry Venables, Des Lynam, Jack Chariton and - on Irish Television, which I watched briefly in the wilds of Connemara last week - Johnny Giles and Eamonn Dunphy. The quote of the weekend

and, maybe, the throw-away remark of the year so far, came from one of the baseball commentators, who was recalling that the Chicago Cubs haven't won a World Series since 1908.

This was once put in an aggressive way by a sports reporter to one of the home team's supporters, who replied: "Hey, any team can have a bad century."

Double win by Trinity Hall's men

TRINITY Hall added the



THIRS

ner test for

tering ten-race career. While recent reports on Arazi's homework have been mixed, I am convinced that taken this mission, relatively soon after that disastrous American trip, unless he was completely satisfied with the

IN GOING for Arazi to win the St James's Palace Stakes

at Royal Ascot today, I main-

tain that he is entitled to the

benefit of the doubt, caused

by his flop in the Kentucky Derby early last month.

It was the only time that

this Francois Boutin-trained

colt had finished out of the

first two in an otherwise glit-

Arazi has certainly enjoyed a more ideal preparation for today's confrontation with his arch rival, Rodrigo De Triano, who lost considerable weight after running in the Derby 13 days ago.

2.30 Exit To Nowhere.

4.55 Peto. 5.30 Good Hand.

3.05 Opera House. 3.45 Arazi. 4.20 SO FACTUAL (nap).

2.30 QUEEN ANNE STAKES

(Group II: £54,972: 1m straight) (9 runners)

SECOND SET 4% 4th of 9 to Selich, in the group I Queen Elizabeth II Staless, here firm rnd, good to sell), with SixESTON 14% 7th. Previously, best Shadayid 1% in the group I Sussex Staless at Goodwood (Im, good), with SixESTON (same terms) 31 this and STAR OF GDANSK fitt. BKGSTON best Sillary fit in the 7-unner group i Premio Presidente Repubblics at Capannelle (Im 2f. good). RUDI-MENTARY best Zomen 11% in the 11-unner group if Forte Mile at Sandown (Im, good to soft) on parastimate start, with LOVEALOCH (3to better off) 161 4m and SIKESTON 10th. EXIT TO MOWNETIE

3.05 PRINCE OF WALES'S STAKES

TEL QUEL 4/bil 4th of 11 to Zoman in the group I Prix d'apathan at Longchamp (im 11, soft). Best Chrachen it in the 12-runner group I Oubsi (Zhampion Stakes at Newmarket (im 21, good to firm) in Co-bber, with YOUNG BUSTER (4ib better di) 1/bil 8th well TETHANN BILL TETHANN 1W 2rt of 8 to 8eddiens Hell in the group I Coronesion Cup at Epsom (1m 41, good). OPERA HOUSE completed a double when beating Wiorno 11 in the 3-runner group 8 Brigadier Gerard Stakes at Sandown (im 21, good to firm), with YOUNG BUSTER (same terms) 1/bil 3rd. Previously, 1/bil 3rd of 12 to Deer Doctor in the group it Gordon Richards Stakes at Sandown (1m

3.45 ST JAMES'S PALACE STAKES

ARAZI best Superinac 5I in an 8-runner listed race at Sent-Cloud (1m, heavy) on pesultimate start. Presonally best Bertrando 4Ni in the grade I Breedest Cap Juvenile at Churchill Downs (1m 110yd, het). BRIEF TRUCE best Firing Line 1I in the 6-runner group is Gestinule States at the Curragh (1m 2t, yielding). CASTEDDU 4Ni 3rd of 6 to Torrey Caryon in a fisted race at Kempton (1m, good to fiss). EZZOUD best Hames 2Ni in a 7-runner graduation race at Sandown (1m, good) on penultimate start.

start. RIVER FALLS head 2nd of 8 to Lion Cavern in the group & Singer Greenham Stakes at Newbury (7).

2.50 Flying Down To Rio. 2.50 Waseela.
3.25 Two Times Twelve. 3.25 Two Times

MANDARIN

215 Plum First.

4.00 Pretonic.

5.10 Duke Of Paducah.

Long handicap: Tabitian 7-6

GOING: FIRM (WATERED)

(Group I; 3-Y-O colts & filies: £118,188: 1m round) (8 runners)

(Group II: £58,536: 1m 2f) (11 runners)

As the winner of both the English and Irish 2.000 Guineas, Rodrigo De Triano is an established miler at the highest level. But still not as good, in my view, as Arazi, who won the Grand Criterium and the Breeders' Cup Juvenile in devastating style last autumn.

If either of the big two does prove vulnerable after their respective ordeals. Ezzoud will be a serious factor because he has only a length Boutin would not have under- . to make up on Rodrigo De Triano on the Curragh form.

Brief Truce, another of today's runners, was a further one and a half lengths back in third place that day.

A line through Rainbow Corner, who was beaten three lengths by Arazi in the Criterium but only a short neck in the French 2,000, strongly suggests that Zaahi. who won the Diomed Stakes

RICHARD EVANS

2.30 Lahib. 3.05 Desert Sun.

4.20 Petardia, 4.55 PETO (nap), 5.30 Crystal Spirit.

3.45 Arazi.

194 Jird of 11 to Zórman in the group I Prat d'tepahen at Lengchenn (1m 11 55yd, good). Beat Zenadiyka a nack in the 11-runner group II Prix Edmond Blanc at seint-Cloud (1m, heavy) in Merch, with GOOFALIN (4lb better off) 2/4/1 3rd.
LAHES 2/4/1 2nd of 10 to Selfeirk in the group II Juddmonte Leckings Staties at Newbury (1m, good), with RUDIMENTARY (seme terms) 21 3rd.
STAR OF GDANSK & 3rd of 7 to Opera House in the group II Tatterselle Rogers Gold Cup at the Currach (1m 2/, good to yielding).
Selection: LAHES

21, good to soft), with PERPENDIGULAR (250 better oft) 25th 4th and GUSSY MARILOWE 10th KOO-YONGA 15th 2nd of 8 to Seleink in the group I Cusen Etzabeth II Stakes, here, (Int mid, good to soft) in September. DESERT SUN 25th 3rd of 1f to Rudmentary in the group II Forte Mile at Sendown (Im. good to soft) on penultimate start. LUCKY UNDY short-neck 2nd of 5 to Kitwood in the group I Protection of the group

anor-neck 2nd or a to Kriwood in the group I Prix Jean Prat at Langcharmo (1m II 55yd, soft). Previ-cusly 15th 2nd to 18 to Rochigo De Triano in the group I General Accident 2,000 Guimass at Newmar-fert (1m, good), with THOURIOS 35th 7th. Selection: TERIMON

good to soft) on penultimets start, with RODRIGO DE TRIANO 23h 4th, RODRIGO DE TRIANO beat EZZOUD 11 in the 6-usiner group I rish 2,000 Guineas at the Curraph (I.m., good to vielding) on penultimate start, with BRIEF TRUCE 13h 3rd, Previously beat Lucky Lindy 13h in the 16-usiner group I caneral Accident 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket (Im., good), with RIVER FALLS 13h 15th ZAANI beat Misteriose 21k in the 9-usiner group it Diomed Stalces at Epsom (Im. 114yd, good). Previously, 29 4th of 9 to Shanghai in the group I Prix d'Essai dass Poulsans at Longohamp (Im., good). Selection: ARAZI

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4.20 Ardkinglass. 4.55 Sonus. 5.30 Mull House.

(nap). 3.45 Ezzoud.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.45 ARAZI.

2.30 Labib. 3.05 LUCKY LINDY

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.30 SECOND SET (nap), 4.20 Petardia, 4.55 Peto.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 6F-1M STRAIGHT, LOW NUMBERS BEST SIS

BETTING: 3-1 Lahib, 7-2 Second Set, 9-2 Exit to Nowhere, 5-1 Rudimentery, 5-1 Goofalik, 10-1 Star Of Gdensk, 20-1 Approach The Bench, Silveston, 25-1 Lovesloch.

1891: SIKESTON.5-8-6 M Roberts (9-1) C Brittain 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

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SETTING: Evene Anazi, 9-4 Rodrigo De Triano, 6-1 Ezzoud, 6-1 Zeehl, 33-1 Brief Truce, 40-1 Cesteddu, River Prile, 200-1 Baldi

1991: MARJU 9-0 W Careon (7-4 lav) J Dunlop 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

THUNDERER

4 35 Luks Akura

2.15 BBC RADIO YORK LATEST NEWS, GREATEST MUSIC SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,304: 6f) (13 runners)

2.15 Girl At The Gate.

3.25 Two Times Twelve. 4.00 Hob Green.

5.10 Duke Of Paducah

DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

(2-Y-C: £2,304: 61) (13 runners)

© CHARLIES REWARD 10 (W Barker) W Barker 8-17 L Charmock

© GREAT MASHHOR 67 (J Pickard) J Wainwright 8-11 A Mackey

642 OSCARS OUEST 17 (Magnum Recing) J Berry 8-11 J Cerroll

982353 PLUM FIRST 6 (B) (Mrs D Benjamin) N Bycroft 8-11 S Whitworth

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ARCTIC GUEST (Feiryhouse 1992 Partnershlo) M Johnston 8-6. Dean McKeown

509 FANFAN 15 (B) (P Savill) M H Easterby 8-6 K Darley

GIRL AT THE GATE (J Morley) M Bell 8-5 D Hotland

© KNAYTON LODGER 6 (B) (Mrs J Devenport) M W Easterby 8-6 K Fallon

64 SUMMERS DREAM 11 (L Mautiby) B Richmond 8-6. K Fallon

65 SUNSHINE IN RAMSEY 15 (Mrs M Morley) T Fairturst 8-6 A Proudi

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BETTING: 7-2 Fantan, 9-2 Occars Quant, 5-1 Plum First, 6-1 Glrt At The Gate, 8-1 Workingkorpeanuts, 10-1 Summers Dream, 12-1 Arctic Guest, 16-1 others.

1991: AMBITIOUS VENTURE 8-11 D Nicholis (16-1) W Passroe 16 ram

BETTING: 3-1 Tahtian, 4-1 Waseela, 5-1 MCA Below The Line, Motador, 7-1 Flying Down To Rio, 8-1 Victoria Road, 12-1 Pergussius, 15-1 others

1991. MOFADOR 7-9-1 R Lapper (6-4 fev) F Lee 12 ran

2.50 BBC RADIO YORK HANDICAP (£2,703: 1m) (9 runners)

HANDARN

Arazi to redeem tall reputation

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

at Epsom after finishing only fourth in that French classic. will be out of his depth in this

For Cauthen, Arazi is taken to become the middle leg of a treble, initiated by Opera House winning the Prince of Wales's Stakes and completed by Peto landing the King Edward VII Stakes.

Opera House looks on

course to emulate Stagecraft who also won the Brigadier Gerard Stakes at Sandown last year before landing today's group two prize.
Before winning Sandown, Opera House beat

ble in mastering Tel Quel in Terimon and Karinga Bay

Zoman who then had no trou-

behind Stagecraft and Zoman in the race last year.

While Jeune should go well in the King Edward VII Stakes judged on the way that he won the Predominate Stakes at Goodwood, I still marginally prefer Henry Cecil's unbeaten colt Peto. He is dearly going from strength to strength if the manner of his easy victory at Wolverhampton is anything to go by.

Second Set who was beaten a head by Marju in the St James's Palace Stakes 12 months ago before going on to win the Sussex Stakes, makes his seasonabl debut in the Queen Anne Stakes.

Well as he worked at Newmarket on Saturday, Second Set may not be ready yet to give 6lb to Arazi's stable compamon. Exit To Nowhere who was a creditable third behind Zoman in the Prix

SETTING: 4-1 Ardungiese, So Factuel, S-1 Tahdeed, S-1 Paterdie, 7-1 Galeway, Pipe Pride, Shobi, 14-1 New Capricoro, 46-1 Canaska Star, 50-1 Frendry Brown, Persien Revivel, 150-1 Walnut Burt. 1991: DILUM 8-13 A Munro (11-10 tar) P Cole 14 ran

FORM FOCUS

1991: SADDLERS' HALL S.S.L. Piggott (7-1) M Stoute 9 res

FORM FOCUS

1991: CABOCHON 4-8-6 W Carson (15-2) D Morley 20 ran

FORM FOCUS

GONDOLIER 6%1 4th of 12 to Aude La Bele in a hardcop at Kempton (2m. good to firm), with BARDOLPH (2b worse off) a lead 6th and BRANDOLPH (2b worse off) a lead 6th and BRANDOLPH 3 2nd of 16 to Webthmen in a handcop at Chester (2m 21 17)rd, good) on peruntimate start, with LINE 091(IMMER (1b) better off) 154 3rd, TAMARPOUR (1b) better off) 154 4rd, TAMARPOUR (5b) better off) 6th, GOOD HAND (1b) 6th, GOOD (1b) 6th

ROYAL ASCOT SPECIALISTS

3.25 ALIVE DAIRY PRODUCTS MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,265: 51) (8 runners)

BETTING: 11-10 Two firmes Twelve, 9-2 Arbendale Damond, 6-1 Riston Lady, 10-1 others 1991: DOUBLE PEATURE 8-10 M McAndrew (7-2) Mrs J Ramsdon 10 ran

(3) 431(0)/ MAKE OR MAR 1088 (D.F) (Miss A Strangeway) B Elison 8-9-10 (5) 0-42510 HAWA LAYAAM 14 (V.F) (Jume Human) A Scott 3-9-8 (4) 0-60330 PRETONC 24 (D.F.G) (B Yeardley Covencyally M Johnson 48-6 D (1) 502-650 VERDANT (60Y 11 (D.BF.F.G.S) (Miss H Warre) M Naughton 98-13 (7) 000001 HOS GREEN 3 (D.F) (Miss A Signworth) Miss J Remader 38-6 (Red 25:560 SULLY'S CHOICE 45 (B.CD.BF.F.G.S) (W Nebur) D Chapman 11-8-5 (8) 05354-4 WAYERLEY STAR 11 (B.D.F) (S Pedersen) S Noron 7-8-3

BETTING: 6-4 Hob Green, 3-1 Hawa Layaam, 9-2 Pretonic, 7-1 Waverley Star. 10-1 others. 1981: LONE LANE LADY 5-7-4 S Wood (10-1) J Machine 9 ran

4.35 BBC RADIO YORK FM STEREO INFORMATION HANDICAP

BETTING: 2-1 Luks Akura, 5-2 Person Fantasy, 7-2 First Bid, 8-1 Quip, 10-1 Sincleir Lad, 12-1 Mahaesin 1991: STAR LOCH 7-9-4 M Bech (12-1) M McCormeck 9 ran

5.10 LISTEN TO YOUR HEART - BBC RADIO YORK GRADUATION STAKES

1 (2) 84/4040- DUKE OF PADUCAH 304 (F.G) (J Garca-Roady) G Harwood 5-9-12 G Duffield © 99 (1) 3100-0 FICTION 15 (F) (P Woodley) M Haughton 3-9-3 D Harmoon (7) 59

1991: STYLISH SENOR 3-8-2 G Duffield (1-7 tav.) J Fanshawe 3 ran

COURSE SPECIALISTS

4.00 FIRST FOR SPORT - BBC RADIO YORK HANDICAP

S Cauthen Pat Eddery A Marvo W Carson R HBs G Certer

5.30 ASCOT STAKES (Handicap: £18,227: 2m 4f) (21 runners)

4.20 COVENTRY STAKES

(Group III: 2-Y-O: £25,731: 6f) (12 runners)

APDKINGLASS beet GEISWAY (same terms) 21/st in a 12-runner maden at York (61, good to firm). GEISWAY beet Kamestars a head in an 8-runner maiden at Doncaster (61, gm). PETARDIA beat Cop The Cash 5t in a 5-runner maiden at Doncaster (61, good to firm). PIPS PRIDE completed a double when beating Khanij 21 in a 3-runner graduation sace, here (51, good to soft). SHEBL 11/st 2nd of 11

4.55 KING EDWARD VII STAKES

ALFLORA 10%: 8th of 18 to Dr Devious in the group I Ever Ready Derby at Epsom (1m 4f, good) Presously, 8%1 5th of 7 to Ainser Alvestreet in the group II Homsowners Denis Stakes at York (1m 2t 85yd, good to firm). ALFHARD beet Duke Of Eurolick 15I in a 2-runner graduation race at Brighton (1m 4f, irm) on reappearance. BEYTON 3f 4th of 5 to Twist And Turn in the group III Delham Chester Vase at Chester (1m 4f 469d, good). Previously, 5%1 4th of 10 to Pollan Count in the group III Thresher Classic Trial at Sandown (1m 2f, good to soit), with BONNY SCOT (same terms) 3f 5th and ALFLORA 7th.

TRAINERS

(£2,726: 6f) (7 runners)

(£2,703: 1m 4f) (6 runners)

(£3,066: 1m 4f) (2 runners)

TRAINERS

BETTING: 1-10 Duke Ot Paducah 7-1 Fiction

H Cecil P Cole G Harwood

(Group It: 3-Y-O colts & geldings: £67,473; 1m 4f) (12 runners)

D'Ispahan at Longchamp. Lahib, who split Selkirk and Rudimentary in the Lockinge Stakes at Newbury.

could turn out to be a greater threat to Exit to Nowhere. The task of landing today's nap is entrusted to Pat Eddery on So Factual in the Coventry Stakes.

Trained by Guy Harwood who won the race twice in the Eighties with Recitation and Red Sunset, So Factual has the right pedigree for this job since he is by Known Fact. who won the Middle Park Stakes in 1979, out of Sookera, who captured the Cheveley Park Stakes two years earlier.

He also looked the part when winning easily first time out, albeit only at Folkestone.

Blinkered first time ASCOT: 305 Young Buster 345 Brief Truce, 455 Thyer THIRSK: 215 Annie Rose, Knayton Lodger, 250 Persussius.

by intumers in a multius at Haydeck (87, good to soft).

SO FACTUAL best Captain Le Saux 3%1 is an 11numer graduation mace at Feliastone (81, good to
firm), with FRIENDLY BRAVE (same terms) 23 3rd,
TAHDEED completed a trable when beating 44mend Players 3/91 in a S-numer farled mace at the

BONNY SCOT 9151 3rd of 7 to Assessor in the group it Namins Club Derby Trial at Lingheld (Im 3f 108yd, good). JELNE best Natha's Mill 31 in a 9-runner lealed race at Goodwood (Im 2t, good to firm). PETO completed trebits when beating Source Of Light 20 in a 4-runner conditions race at Wolverhampton (Im 3t, good to soft). SCHULS best Feir Average 3t on an 8-runner conditions race at Wolverhampton (Im 3t, good). THYER 3thi 3rd of 8 to Twist And Turn in a Select race at Newmerket (Im 1t, good) on penultimate start.

Rock Hopper popular choice for an encore

Trainers

IAN BALDING: Nap: Lochsong in the Wokingham Stakes on Friday, provided the ground is not too firm. "She doesn't look like a sprinter - she's as long as a Rolls Royce - but

she's terribly brave. Next best: Crystal Spirit in the Ascot Stakes today. The 1991 Sun Alliance Novice Hurdle winner ran encouragingly at Doncaster last month in his first Flat race for two seasons. JACK BERRY: Nap: Sabre

Rattler in the Norfolk Stakes on Thursday. "Although he has got a bit of mileage on the clock, he's improving all the time."
Next best: Lacky Parkes in the Queen Mary Stakes tomorrow. "She's a very fast filly and has won all three

CLIVE BRITTAIN: Nan: Terimon in the Prince of Wales's Stakes today. "He's in great, great form. He was definitely unlucky at Epsom last time and is very effective over the mile-and-a-quarter at Ascot."

New best: Armarama in the Ribblesdale Stakes on Thursday, "She's progressed all year, having run well in the Musidora Stakes before finishing second in the Italian Oaks."

HENRY CECIL: Nap: Peto in the King Edward VII Stakes today. "He was very weak last year but is now an improving horse who will get the trip, likes fast ground and should run very

Next best: Pursuit Of Love in the Jersey Stakes tomor-

PETER HYAM: Nap: Ediptic in the Britannia Stakes on Friday. The fast-improving handicapper "is in very good form and has been working well."

PAUL COLE: Nap: Lord President in the Chesham Stakes on Thursday. "He was beaten when favourite at Ascot but Alan Munro doesn't get on with them too well first time out. They have to be stoked up a bit. He expects them to do it themselves American-style, but my horses are trained in a slightly more switched-off

Next best: Profesion in the

asks leading trainers and the agents of top jockeys for a nap and next best at

Royal Ascot, which starts today

Richard Evans, racing correspondent,

was second to Selkirk in the Lockinge, only the fourth race of his career, and he has pleased me a lot since

Next best: Delve in the

Ribblesdale Stakes on Thursday. Has a good eachway chance. JOHN GOSDEN fears the likely fast ground will reduce his chances.(Last year, he tipped two winners from two selections despite similar reservations!) Nap:

Sonus in the King Edward VII Stakes. "He would be better suited by cut in the ground, but should run RICHARD HANNON: Nap: Lyric Fantasy in the

Queen Mary Stakes on Wednesday. Next best: Central City. GEOFF LEWIS: Nap: Silver Wizard in the Norfolk Stakes on Thursday, "It will

take a very good two-year-old to lower his colours. He has got through his touch of sore shins since winning at Salisbury and did some very good work with older horses on Saturday." Next best: Rocky Waters in

the Britannia Stakes, "He is working well and is a good MICHAELSTOUTE: Nap: Rock Hopper in the Hard-wicke Stakes on Friday. The

tion of Topanoora.

bang in there.

Next best: Opera House in

the Prince of Wales's Stakes

today. This is a stiffer test

but I don't think he has to

improve too much on the

Zoman form for him to be

GEOFF WRAGG: Nap:

Marling in the Coronation

apple of his trainer's eye — "We love him" — won the race last year following the controversial disqualifica-

Next best: Rodrigo De Triano in today's "race of the year", the St James's Palace Stakes.

manner and need more

Thursday. "Running off his present rating of 96, he has a very good chance." JOHN DUNLOP: Nap: Labib in today's opener, the Stakes tomorrow. "She lost more weight in the Irish 1,000 Guineas than she did in our Guineas. But she has put it back on, she is working nicely and should run really well."

Next best: Young Buster in the Prince of Wales's Stakes today. "At Sandown last time. Walter Swinburn said he lost his action. So I sent him swimming and he has been moving tremendously well since then. I am putting blinkers on to help him concentrate, but I know he is a good horse."

Jockeys' agents

MIKE CATTERMOLE (Willie Carson): Nap: Locksong. "Won at York in great style and, despite going up a little in the handicap, still has scope for improvement, provided the ground is not too firm." Next best: Lahib.

TERRY ELLIS (Pat Eddery): Nap: Rock Hop-per. "A lovely horse who has done nothing wrong and is so honest. He was second at Epsom in the Coronation Cup but, like last year, he showed he could not handle the cambers,"

Next best: Ezzoud in today's St James's Palace Stakes. This might be an improving horse who is just coming to his best."

MICHAEL HAGGAS (Walter Swinburn): Nap: Marling, "She's in great form and has a clear form chance. Next best: Sheikh Albadou

in the King's Stand Stakes on Friday. JOHN HANMER (Steve Cauthen): Nap: Peto. "Won

by 20 lengths last time, pulling up. Next best: Arazi. GRAHAM ROCK (Mich-

ael Roberts) Nap: Terimon. "Ran a cracker in the Coronation Cup, but because of the way the race developed was not given a particularly hard time. He has done very well subsequently and looks a picture at home."

Next best: Lyric Fantasy. PETER SHOEMARK (John Reid): Nap: Prince Ferdinand in the Jersey Next best: Ardkinglass in

For those wishing to be selective, I suggest the following from above for a Royal Ascot yankee: Peto, Marling. Silver Wizard and

Wragg: Marling is Queen Anne Stakes. "He his top choice Rock Hopper. Dawning Street is absentee

THE Royal Hunt Cup favourite. Dawning Street, was yesterday pulled out of tomorrow's big handicap because of a leg injury. A spokesman for trainer

John Dunlop explained: "Dawning Street has pulled a muscle behind, and is lame. He will not run at Royal

Ascot." Dawning Street had been the subject of a huge ante-post gamble for the royal meeting's main betting contest following an impressive victory at Kempton last

Both William Hill and Cor-al had laid the gelding at all rates from 20-1 down to 7-1 favourite.

The Lynda Ramsden-trained High Premium is the new 8-1 favourite with Ladbrokes and Hills, and shares favouritism at 10-1 in Coral's list. They now go: 10-

1 Tell No Lies, High Premi-um. 14-1 Field Of Honour, 16-1 High Low, Band On The Run. and Cape Pigeon, 20-1 others.

Supreme Choice has been taken out of the Ascot Gold

Barry Hills's horses have been under a cloud recently. and he wants to give Supreme Choice more time. But the Lambourn trainer

is still likely to be represented by Further Flight in the stamina test, for which there is a maximum field of eight. Despite the defection of 8-

1 chance Supreme Choice, Ladbrokes leave Drum Taps unchanged at 7-4 at the head of the market.

But they have shortened Further Flight and Frenchtrained Turgeon to 4-1 (from

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Patrick Haslam, based at

Middleham, was in good form at Edinburgh yesterday.

landing a double with I'en

Princess and Rose Gem.

Placepot: £110.00

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS 8.15 (1m 16yd) 1, Routing IJ Carioli 14 1), 2, Lawnswood Junor (3 1 lav) 3 Bec Dee Ell (14 1) 11 yan NR Tahtian 41 11/1 M Hammond Toto 110 50 11 90 12 80, 11 90 DF 115 40 CSF 151 92 Tricast 1555 84

Brighton

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BY SIMON WILDE

EDGBASTON (final day of three): Warwickshire (5pts)

enough to win this match yesterday, they simply lacked

the fire power. Hampshire set

a reasonable target of 257 in

62 overs, which Warwickshire chased with gusto until

they lost their seventh wicket

at 167 in the fifteenth of the

last 20 overs, at which point

they reconciled themselves to

a draw. This they achieved

with comfort, losing only one

further wicket, in the penulti-

Hampshire retain their

lead in the championship,

but frustrations are setting in.

They have not won for three

weeks, they have injury prob-lems, and there must be ques-

tion marks over the strength

Aymes, their wicketkeeper,

badly twisted a knee on Satur-

day and will be missing from

the match at Leicester today.

Robin Smith deputised for

him yesterday and, although he held a catch standing up to

Udal, his performance can hardly have inspired his

Hampshire were also seri-

ously handicapped yesterday

by the loss of Bakker. He

suffered a minor hamstring

injury after taking three wick

ets in his first eight overs. His

successes were slightly fortu-

itous - both openers caught

end. The pitch was slow, but this did not excuse his wayward line nor his sequence of

bouncers to Small, who bat-

ted throughout the final 15 overs. Marshall may be final-

ly losing his edge at the age of

34. His strike rate of a wicket

every eight overs this season

compares poorly with that of his fellow West Indian,

Courtney Walsh, who claims

Warwickshire were noth-

ing if not bold. On a pitch

which had realised runs at

well under three runs per.

over, they were being asked to

score at over four. Lloyd, who

soon found the score four for

two, set the tone but half-

centuries from Twose and the

highly talented Ostler, who

shared a fifth-wicket stand of

88, kept them in the chase

Hampshire had experi-

enced similar difficulties try-

ing to accelerate on a pitch

which had only one gear.

Resuming on 39 for one, they

spent the morning painstak-ingly adding 100 runs before

a brief flurry of boundaries

from Gower and Smith after

the interval helped fine tune

the declaration.

until both fell to Udal.

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drew with Hampshire (7) BOTH sides were keen

Worcestershire's bid falters after Hick's dismissal

BY JOHN WOODCOCK

THE OVAL (final day of three): Surrey (7pts) drew with Worcestershire (5)

LEFT to make 276 to beat Surrey in 68 overs, Worces-tershire finished with 219 for seven. What had begun to look like a generous declaration at teatime proved to be a very good one, even though, in the end, it left both sides still looking for their first championship win of the

After slipping from 126 for one after 36 overs to 201 for seven after 55, Worcestershire called off a chase which had started to go rather promisingly for them while Curtis and Hick were

Mainly responsible for their decline was Neil Kendrick, bowling orthodox left-arm spin on a wearing pitch. With the help of a hotly disputed catch by Feltham at short extra cover - Rhodes, the victim, was in no doubt that the ball had not carried Kendrick stopped Worcestershire in their tracks before Leatherdale and Illingworth, hemmed in by fielders, played out the match.

Although Surrey achieved their aim of a lunchtime declaration, it took a late burst of scoring for them to do so. Forty seven runs came off the last three overs of the morning, bowled by Illingworth

and Stemp. Illingworth's two cost 37. Thorpe and Stewart both setting about him with

much relish.

Kendrick, Saturday's nightwatchman, made some more runs - he is one of those who, given more of a chance, could probably score a thousand runs a year - and Thorpe enjoyed himself. Stewart's place at No. 7 was accounted for by a bruised forearm, though it seemed not to bother him when he did come in.

When Worcestershire went to tea at 112 for one with 40 overs left they seemed well on their way. On Sunday, when England named their 13 players for Thursday's Test match, only Malcolm and Munton had a lower firstclass batting average than Hick. On Saturday he had made nine in 51 balls and.

lost soul. And yesterday he was missed as soon as he came in, off a leading edge against Martin Bicknell. The hall lobbed to mid on where Kendrick was a little slow moving to it, though he got there in the end.

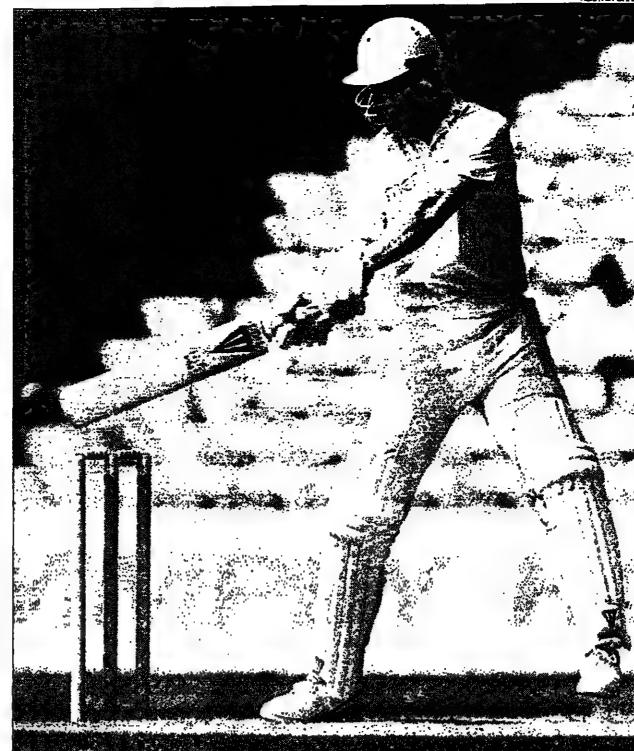
If that was the slice of luck Hick needed to give him some time in the middle, he never went on to play as well and as imposingly as he can. Like Curtis, his partner in a second-wicket stand which

was worth 110, he now so commits himself to the front foot that his options are restricted. That this is less inhibiting in Hick's case than in Curtis's is because of his much greater strength. As soon as Curtis decided,

after tea, that it was time to get after Kendrick he was stumped by a distance. In the next over, Hick, pulling loosely at Bicknell, was bowled, the ball keeping low. Worcestershire were now

132 for three, which became 158 for four when Moody, making ground to Kendrick. was bowled by something that he had turned into a full

So, the last seven in the Worcestershire order were left looking for 104 from the last 20 overs, and with the ball turning, just as it should do on a third day, it was soon a question not of whether they would make them but whether they could survive.



Clean cut: Hick rocks onto the back foot to punish a short ball from Boiling during his 73 at the Oval

Slow and low due to Batty

BY GEOFFREY WHEELER

DERBYSHIRE could muster no more than 74 - the lowest total of the season against Yorkshire at Harrogate yesterday where they were beaten by an innings and four runs.

Yorkshire were again indebted to the slow bowlers. the indispensable Phil Carrick, who will be 40 next month, and Jeremy Batty, who has just turned 21. After sharing eight wickets in the first innings they again turned the screw so effectively that Derbyshire, having resumed at nine for two, were beaten well before lunch.

The young off spinner took four for 34 for a match return of eight for 118 while Carrick conceded only 15 runs while taking three wickets in 18

overs. They were well supported in the field with Byas, Hartley and Blakey, the wicketkeeper. holding superb catches as Yorkshire, given a vital first innings lead by Tendulkar's determined 89. hurried to their first championship victory of the season. Derbyshire, handicapped by a neck injury to Adams which meant that his appearance was de-layed until No. 8, mustered only three batsmen in double figures - O'Gorman, Goldsmith and Bishop.

SUNDAY LEAGUE

Espex (5) ... Sussex (12) Middlesex (11) Somersel (9) ... Wores (4)
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Foster provides added authority

BY RICHARD STREETON

HARTLEPOOL (final day of three): Essex (23 pts) beat Durham (8) by 190 runs

BY THE standards expected from them, Essex have made a moderate start to their defence of the championship. Yesterday, however, with Neil Foster, now recovered from a knee injury, playing the decisive role, they won with an authority that suggested they should soon be surging up the

Foster finished with four for 49, his best figures of a restricted season, and he has clearly been missed in recent weeks. Durham seemed overmake 370 in 87 overs and were bowled out for 179.

Everything conspired against Durham. Jones could not take his usual place at No. 3 in the order because he had not fielded on Saturday evening after being injured while batting. An even more serious setback came when Bainbridge was forced to retire hurt after being struck on the right elbow by Ilott. An x-ray showed a broken

bone and Bainbridge is expected to be out of action for least six weeks. Durham already have Brown and Wood, their new ball bowlers, suffering back and shin injuries respectively, though both batted briefly at the end.

pects to be fit for the Lord's Test match that begins on Thursday. He did not seem incommoded yesterday as he made a watchful 22 before he edged a ball from Foster and

was caught behind.

Essex have lost two of their last three matches after setting their opponents more than 300. On this occasion they added 64 in 12 overs before Gooch decided he had enough runs.

Durham were checked from the start when Foster bowled seven overs for two runs before hunch, by which time Durham had lost Glendenen and Parker to catches

a strained groin but has told bainbridge's accident had the England selectors he ex-Glendenen low down off Foster and Parker at walst-height off Ilott. Botham and the left-hand-

ed Hutton stayed together for time before Foster disissed both in the same over. Botham went first and then Hutton was brilliantly caught from a hook by Such at long

Such ran 20 yards to his left before he dived forward to take the ball with both hands as he crashed to the ground.

Foster next had Scott caught at forward short-leg via a pad and though Berry and Graveney gathered some late runs, it was in a hopeless

Lloyd's exit ends determined effort

COLWYN BAY (final day of three): Glamorgan (7pts) drew wth Lancashire (7)

JUDGING the timing of a declaration is a difficult art. It escaped Alan Butcher yesterday, the game petering out into an inevitable draw as the task of scoring 300 in a minimum of 54 overs proved be-yond Lancashire's reduced forces. They made a surprisingly

determined attempt. For a time the sheer bravado of their approach threatened to pay off as Lloyd joined Atherton in a stand of 76 in 14 overs. Already without

Fairbrother and Mendis, Watkinson, Hegg and Austin joined the injury list yesterday, making Atherton's decision to accept Butcher's challenge a quixotic one. Lancashire at least re-

sponded positively. Fowler fell leading the early charge and Speak soon followed, still 31 runs short of becoming the first player to reach 1,000 runs. DeFreitas was promoted to no avail, but then Lloyd and Atherton put together the best stand of the innings, Lloyd using his feet beautifully as he dominated the stand to reach his 50 off 55 balls. His departure next ball, in

the last over before the final 20, effectively ended Lanca-

shire's hopes, and when Atherton was drawn a long way forward in Croft's next over, survival became their only realistc target. It seemed as if Lancashire did not understand the gravity of their situ-

with the game out of reach. At 193 for seven, with 13 overs remaining, they were in some danger of defeat, but Martin and the limping Hegg held firm. In the end, with Glamorgan also eager to win, Butcher's tardiness proved counter-productive.

ation, Titchard and Watkin-

son continuing to blaze away

James at least was grateful, amassing an undefeated 152. a career best, and the first of his seven centuries to come in

the championship. He relished it enormously, hitting 19 fours and two sixes.

Atherton, in his first lengthy bowl since he injured his back in Australia two win-ters ago, went for 109 in 16 overs. The wickets of Morris. who ended a sticky time since his century on the first day of the season, and Dale provided some consolation.

By then, with David Hughes substituting for Watkinson, giving concrete form to his title, the assistant manager with first team responsibilities, and Fowler reminding us how difficult a job wicketkeeping is, Lancashire were once again looking a dishevelled team.

Pakistanis prefer serious approach

NORTHAMPTON (final day of three): the Pakistanis beat Northamptonshire by seven

PAKISTAN, for the most part serious and dedicated to the end, duly completed a comfortable win over Northamptonshire. They took their time, more than two hours and 45 overs, to score the 120

Nick Cook and Andy Robens, the Northamptonshire spinners, bowled in harness for much of that time and commanded respect on a pitch that enabled both to achieve turn, albeit slowly. but there was never a glimmer of any other result.

The Pakistanis move on to Lord's happily enough. On the pecuniary side - and one should not underestimate its importance to them - they are hot on the golden trail of the E50,000 placed before

them by Tetley. Three more victories in their five remaining county matches and the prize is

The other small matter of an encounter at Lord's later this week also entered calculations, although the chief concern over the fitness of Akram and Waqar Younis already seems to have been settled. This still left the question of

serious batting practise for those who needed it. Ramiz did not appear all that keen. He played sensibly enough,

though freely, until, having been dropped off a sharp caught-and-bowled chance by Taylor when 21 and the total 36, he fell foul of Cook's

second over. Then, following one of the many phantom balls, not delivered but rather aborted, by the Northamptonshire spinner, Ramiz had two rushes of blood, the second of which proved his downfall. The first saw him spoon the

ball just over short extra cover but short of mid-off. The second resulted in a near replica but, this time, the ball was hit a shade more firmly and Bailey clasped the catch. Sohail lasted until the 22nd over when, with the score on

75, he tried to sweep Roberts from outside the off stump and presented Bailey with a double - this time, the catch coming at square leg. Sohail had looked full of

firm intent. So, too, did Shoaib, almost painfully so, and Mujtaba. They added 45 between

them, taking the score to within two runs of victory, before Lamb swooped on Shozib's snick to slip. It remained only for

Inzamam to take four off the third ball he received before Pakistan were on their merry way -- and none merrier than Akram, who deservedly recrived the man-of-the-match award for his wholehearted bowling and ten wickets in

badly miscuing attempted pulls, and Reeve leg-before to BSKv B aller one that kept cruelly low but his absence only increased the pressure on his dubs anxi The greatest burden fell on Marshall, who could barely contain his frustration by the

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100 s | e23 v e When Middleton, who batted 160 minutes for 77, and Udal, the nightwatchman. who lasted almost two hours for a career best of 38, tried something adventurous they

paid the price. Middleton passed 50 for the eighth time in 11 firstclass innings this season and looked set to become the first to 1,000 runs when Reeve, in claiming his first wicket since the World Cup, had him caught at slip 16 short.

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YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS SURREY: First Innings 301 for 9 dec (M A Lynch 107, N M Kendrick 51)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-29, 3-84, 4-101, 5-119

BOWLING. Radford 11-3-25-1 Newport 9-2 23-1. Stemp 14-1-61-1, Illingworth 8-2-58-2.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First innings 193 for 7 dec (S R Lampit 71 not out)

Extras (Ib 2, nb 1) .

Total (5 wkts dec) ...

Northants v **Pakistanis**

Total (3 wkts) . . . FALL OF WICKETS 1-49, 2-73, 3-118 BOWLING Curran 5-0-17-0, Taylor 7-1-25-0, Cook 18-7-40-2 Roberts 15-4-38-1.

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Extras (b 1, lb 1) 122

Umpires P.B.Wight and K.E.Palmer

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Compiled by Richard Lockwood

Batting

HARTLEPOOL (final day of three): Esset (23pis) beat Durherr (8) by 190 runs ESSEX: First Innings 360 (G A Gooch 113, M E Waugh 75, N A Foster 54) 113, M E Waugh 75, N A Foster 54)
Second Innings
'G A Gooch c Scort b Berry
J P Stephenson c sub b Barnbridge
P J Prichard c sub b Graveney
M E Waugh c sub b Graveney
N A Foster law b Bambridge
N V Knight not out
th A Garrham c Scort b Graveney
D R Pringle not out
Extras (b 4, b 3)

Total (6 wkts dec) FALL OF WICKETS. 1-152, 2-210, 3-229, 4-236, 5-251, 8-277 BOWLING: Wood 5-0-28-0, Bainbridge 22 0-87-2, Barry 12-0-99-1 Graveney 13-0-88 DURHAM: First Innings 300 for 7 dec (P Beinbindge 60, D M Jones 57, IT Botham 55 not out, P W G Parker 55, J H Childs 4 for 85)

Bowling

J E Emburey S J E Brown J H Childs S D Udai

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D M Jones c Foster b Waugh
TC W Scott c Stephenson b Foster
P J Berry c Gamham b Pringle
D A Graveney not out
J Wood c Prichard b Pringle
S J E Brown c Childs b Pringle
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FALL OF WICKETS 1-14, 2-15, 3-82, 4-83, 5-98, 6-106 7-143, 8-151, 9-179 BOWLING Foster 20-8-49-4, Bott 11-2-43-1, Pringle 10.2-1-50-3, Childs 3-0-9-0 Waugh 6-0-27-1 Umpres M J Kitchen and J H Hampshre Surrey v Worcs THE OVAL (final day of three): Surrey (7pts) drew with Worcestershire (5)

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G A Hick b M P Bicknell 73
T M Moody b Kendrick 22
D A Lestherdale not out 37 LEADING FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES BB 5#10m



Foster: four wickets in Essex's victory

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-126, 3-132, 4-158, 5-201, 6-201, 7-201.

BOWLING M P Bicknell 10-1-42-1; Benjamin 15-5-40-1; Felthum 8-0-39-0; Kendrick 24 4-8-60-4, Boiling 10-1-34-1.

Umpires: D R Shepherd and G Sharp. Warwicks v Hants

EDGBASTON (final day of three) Warwickshire (5pls) drew with Hampshire Second Innings

V P Terry c Piper b Donato

T C Middleton c Ostler b Reeve

S D Udal b Twose

D I Gower not out

R A Smith not out

Total (3 wkts dec) . FALL OF WICKETS 1-34, 2-121, 3-145 BOWLING: Donald 11.4-24-1, Small 12-1-45-0 Twose 7-1-43-1, Munion 12-2-36-0. Reevs 7-0-32-1 WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 216 for 9

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 2: dec (A J Moles 95)
Second Innings
A J Moles c Ayling b Bakker
J D Ratchifle c Nicholas b Bakker
T A Lloyd c Tenry b Ayling
D P Ostler c Marshall b Udal
D A Reeve libw b Bakker
R G Twose c Gower b Udal
P A Smith libw b Marshall
f J Piper c Smith b Udal
G C Small not out
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Latras (b 11 lb 3, w 1) Extras (b 11 lb 3, w 1) ... Total (8 wkts)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-4, 3-51, 4-53, 5-141, 6-163, 7-167, 8-198. BOWLING, Marshall 17-3-42-1; Bakker 8-1-24-3, Ayling 10 5-2-28-1 Udal 20-5-78-3, James 6-2-12-0.

Glamorgan v Lancs COLWYN BAY (final day of three) Glamorgan (7pts) draw with Lancashee Extras (b 4, nb 3)

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Total (2 wkts dec) FALL OF WICKETS: 1 250, 2 264.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings 295 (P A . DeFreitas 72, N J Speak 71) DeFreitas 72, N J Speak 71)
Second Innings
G Fowler o Butcher b Watten
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N J Speak c Metson b Barweck
P A J DeFreitas c James b Watten
G D Lloyd o Barwick b Croft ...
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M Wattenson c Richards b Barwick
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†W K Hegg not out P J Martin not out ... Extras (b 4, lb 1, w 1) . . . Total (7 wkts) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-35, 2-80, 3-83, 4-159, 5-168, 6-188, 7-183, BOWLING: Watkin 13-4-39-2; Bastien 6 4-0-33-0; Barwick 23-0-102-3, Croft 15-3-63-

Umpires B Leadbeater and H D Berd. Yorks v Derbys

HARROGATE (final day of times) Yorkshire (22pts) best Derbyshire (3) by an anings and four runs DERBYSHIRE: First finings 227 (P D Bowler 60: P Carrick 4 for 58, J D Batty 4 for 84)

K J Barnett libw b Gough
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R W Sladdin c and b Carnick
P D Bowler c Byse b Hartley
T J G O'Gorman libw b Batty
S C Goldsmith c Kellett b Batty

Extras (o 4, lb 3, nb 1)

Total FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-3, 3-11, 4-19, 5-33, 6-34, 7-40, 8-58, 9-58 BOWLING Hartley 8-2-17-1, Gough 3-2-1 2, Carnek 18-13-15-3, Batty 13-2-4-34-4 YORKSHIRE: First Immings 305 (S R Tendulus 89, M D Moxen 64, C White 52, I R Bishop 5 for 37) Umpires: N T Plews and R Julian

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Barcelona bound

Canoeing: Andrew and Iain Clough, of Normanton-on-Soar, and Chris Arrowsmith and Paul Brain, of Stratfordon-Avon, have been added to Britain's canoe slalom team for the Olympic Games.

Rugby union: South Africa has pledged to drug test all provincial players before New Zealand arrive for a tour in

Sweden feel the pressure of expectation

Fear factor could start to work in England's favour

FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT IN STOCKHOLM

THE fear factor, the ruin of England's lifeless European championship tie in Malmö on Sunday, could work decisively in their favour here tomorrow. Their opponents, the hosts, who require only a point to qualify for the semifinals, may be inhibited by the mounting weight of expectation.

"As the game gets closer," Graham Taylor said yesterday, "they will realise what they could lose. They have one hand on the prize but not both." His own England side has no choice but to take a more positive outlook. Defeat equals instant elimination,

Nobody should expect caution to be cast aside, though. Since victory by the narrowest margin would be sufficient, England still have no urgent need to inject a sense of wild adventure into a tournament that has been as predictably drab and undistinguished as the most recent World Cup.

There is no incentive for teams to be anything other than guarded during the first round. If three points were awarded for a win or, per-



haps, the scoring of more than a couple of goals, the general approach would not so negative and defensive.

Taylor, annoyed by criticism of the two goalless draws so far, declares vehemently that he is "out here on business". His primary job is not to provide entertainment but to reach the last four. The rget grew more distant once he lost three members of his official party

To keep it within sight after such cruel setbacks, England had to be stubbornly secure against Denmark and France. Having safely negotiated their way and remained unbeaten with some inexperienced players, they must at-tack Sweden without leaving themselves open at the back.

The sweeper system, which effectively smothered France's limited ideas, will be irrelevant. "We don't yet know how to be attacking with that formation," Taylor

BSkyB alleviates clubs' anxieties

THE fears of Premier League dubs that they would be required to stage an excessive number of matches on a Monday, under the television deal agreed with BSkyB and the BBC, were allayed yesterday when the satellite company indicated that probably no more than 25 games would be held on a Monday

throughout next season. No club would stage more than two games on a Monday and the majority only one out of a total number of 462 games in the season. It will be welcome news to those clubs, Liverpool, who draw their

support from far and wide.
"BSkyB and BBC have both said they are just as keen to watch what's happening in the bottom half of the league

Ibility" were the key words, according to Rick Parry, the league's chief executive, when the television companies gave their presentations at Lancas-

Quinton was at pains to point out the advantages of the £304 million deal which, he said, was in the interest of the game "not only in terms of people watching on tele-vision, but more people coming through the turnstiles".

By the end of the century it is expected that about 14 million families will have either cable or a dish in their long-term partnership,"

Quinton said. He and Parry were confirmed as chairman and chief executive, respectively. "with-out a dissenting voice", the former added. Parry will be given a three-year contract, starting on July 1, subject to

it along those lines but time is

Holland have perfected it and, in his opinion, they are the strongest nation in the world-class players surrounded by seven excellent ones". Apart from Gary Lineker and Des Walker, the rest of his own representatives are mere-

ly "good".

To ask them to master, virtually overnight, a tactic that is so foreign is absurdly optimistic. Because of our lousy domestic system, there is no time even to educate our

players that way," Taylor said. "What do people want?" More creativity is the answer. England have fash-ioned less than a handful of genuine openings in three hours, an ominously low ratio that has left Lineker one short of the goal he needs to equal Charlton's record of 49 for his country. He is enduring his most

unproductive sequence since the European championship four years ago, when he was suffering from hepatitis.

Now, on the verge of retirement, he is being starved of opportunities. For his and England's sake, an accurate and imaginative distributor should be selected against the

The leading candidate is Neil Webb but he lacks mobility. When he played against France at Wembley in February, Taylor recalled: "We got such a chasing in midfield for half an hour that we wondered when we were going to get the ball back."

If Webb was supported by

Trevor Steven, Carlton Palmer and David Platt, though, he could return to the same arena where he ruptured his Achilles tendon three years ago and influence the outcome. He could design England's first goal against

weden for 24 years. Taylor insists that his chosen men will not be short of stamina. "Keep throwing the games at us," he said defiant-"We'll keep going."

Last night, they went to see agreeably surprised to spot members of the Swedish squad standing. The concert lasted three and a half hours. ☐ David James, the Watford and England Under-21 goalkeeper, will confirm today that he is to join Liverpool He is expected to travel to Merseyside for a medical.



Salmon wilts in the heat

Wimbledon would be easy but the Roehampton tourna-ment has stesses all of its own. There are those on the way up and those on the way down but all of them have the dream of a place at Wimble-

For Julie Salmon the dream turned into a nightmare as she lost to Liz Smvlie 4-6, 7-5, 6-2. Both women were wild cards into the qualifying draw, Smylie playing only her second tournament after having a baby and Salmon playing her third after having surgery on her

Salmon has been forced to qualify since 1982. Since then she has always been granted a wild card to Wim-bledon, reaching the third round twice and beating

her memories of the anxieties of qualification were both dim and distant. With dogs barking car alarms going off and the temperature reaching the 90s during a match lasting 2hr 5min. Salmon would play well for a couple of points and then throw away the advantage

was also feeling her way but with her experience as a former Wimbledon doubles winner she knew how to hang on as Salmon tired. Julie Pullin, aged 16, fared

better, beating Tanja Hauser ranked 217 places higher than the Hove girl. Her 6-3, 6-2 victory has earned her a meeting with Camille Ben-

Pullin raced to an early lead in both sets, giving her-self enough leeway to with-stand any lightback from the TENNIS

Grunfeld warms up Navratilova and earns thanks

By BARRY WOOD

MARTINA Navratilova, as traditionally a part of Eastbourne tennis as strawberries and cream, defeated Amanda Grunfeld 6-2, 6-2 in the first round of the Pilkington Glass

championships yesterday. The match was not quite the rout that might have been expected. Grunfeld is a tenacious competitor, and some of her efforts drew appreciative applause from the defending champion. She played intelligently, mixing in drop shotsand hitting some excel-

lent angles.
But Navratilova, who has put herself on a five-day week when she is not playing tournaments, always looked comfortable.

"I hadn't played for over two months and hoped I would remember what to do, she joked. "But I had just one bad service game and that was it. When my serve holds the rest of my game falls into

Having holidayed in Hawaii and at home in Aspen, she feels as fit as ever, helped by a new fitness programe that allows her to take off one

good at that," she said. "I've found I can feel better by doing less."

Jo Durie and Shirli-Ann Siddall, meanwhile, contin ued from where they left off at Edgbaston. Duric defeated Zina Garrison, the No. 5 seed, 6-3, 7-5, and Siddall who has improved her world ranking from 404 to 293, overcame Monique Javer, 6-2, 6-4. They now play each other. Durie had the confidence of having beaten Garrison when they met last August, and she felt Garrison was nervour.

"I felt she wasn't very confident as last summer. Her serve had no stick behind it, and if I could keep my game at a good level I had a chance of beating her," Durie said.

"In the second set I felt she was going for her backhand and serving better, and I just kept my head down and tried

bt M Kidowaki (Japan) Bukova (Cz) bi J Richard N Mechaciava (CIS) bi T 6-1, 6-3.

Bates serves up rankings upset

A SUBTLE change of style may well have precipitated a change of fortune for Jeremy Bates, the British No. 1, who played with welcome authorty on the opening day of the Direct Line Insurance tournament at Manchester.

Bates, a wild-card entrant. defeated Rudolphe Gilbert, of France, who at 75 stands 34 places above him in the world rankings, by 7-5, 7-5.
"I changed my serve a little

last week, and now I no longer step forward after releasing the ball," Bates said. "I have been experiencing terrible problems in practice, but things went really well for me and I can't remember the last time I served so well. None of the leading players walk for-ward when serving. It is much easier to reproduce a good serve over and over again with this particular method."

Bates will now face Malivai Washington, of the United States, who had a comfortable 7-6. 6-4 win over Patrick Kuhnen, of Germany. Any joy felt by the tournament organisers at the uncommonly Manchester weather will have been tempered by the events of the opening three hours, when three potential crowd pullers were

Amos Mansdorf, from israel, the No. 4 seed, who was later to complain of a damaged right shoulder, was defeated by Todd Witsken, of the United States, 7-5, 7-5, while Kevin Curren, a Wimbledon finalist seven years ago, offered only limited resistance before succumbing to the Dutchman, Jacco

Shuzo Matsuoka, beaten finalist in the Stella Artois tourmuscle in his right arm but still hopes to be fit for Wimbledon "It's because I have been hitting so many serves." Matsuoka said. "I will have to rest for three or four days."

REBULTS: Pinst round: J Eltingh (Hot) or K Curren (US), 6-3, 6-4; T Witsken (US) or A Memodorf (ar), 7-6, 7-5; M Washington (US) bt P Kufren (Gar), 7-6, 6-4, J Bales (GS) bt R Gilbert (Fr), 7-6, 7-5

NEW BRIEF,

Sons leave father as an also-ran

Colin McRae's victory in the Scottish motor raily at the weekend marked a record for the three the three-day event. Not only was it his second successive was it his second successive victory, but his younger brother, Alister. finished

Their father, Jimmy, the former five-times British champion, was just four seconds from making it a family

Out for two years

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Golf: The Swedish Golf Federation has banned Johan Tumba from all professional competition for two years. effective immediately, after finding that he changed his scorecard in the European Tour's pre-qualifying school last year.

The Scottish professional championship, which was cancelled last month, has been rescheduled to take place at Cardross golf club from August 12 to 15.

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ATHLETICS

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BASKETBALL NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Play-off final: Chicago Bulls 97, Portland Trail Slazers 93 (Chicago win best of seven series 4-2).

RUGBY LEAGUE



Fred Couples: leads world golf rankings

BOXING OSAKA: WBA junior flyweight champ-lonship: Hiroki loka (Japan, holder) bi Km Bong-jun (S Kor), pls.

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Faces in a pack will generate income

ATHLETICS

WOULD you swap Vicky Lupton for Sally Gunnell? Or Andy Penn for Linford Christie? The exchanges that no international meeting promoter in his right mind would consider are about to become part of a money-spinning scheme for British athletics.

Lupton and Penn are walkers, which means few people, even within athletics, pay much attention to them. But they are among the best of British at what they do and, for that reason, have been brought together with Gunnell, Christie and other leading names to feature in a new series of collectors' cards. Each athlete will have his

or her own card when the series of 150 goes on sale from the end of this month. In each packet of five, randomly sorted, you are as likely to get a Lupton as a Gunnell. In fact more likely to. It would be surprising if there are

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By David Powell, athletics correspondent more than 30 faces who are recognisable to most potential buyers: more than 100 athletes are there to make up

the numbers. The walkers will no doubt welcome the exposure; and the money. Everyone gets paid: from £100 a year for a Penn to some £2,000 for a Christie. Of the £50,000 to be shared by the 150, the top 15 will get half, though they will be expected to make promotional appearances.

ufacturers, Maxx Cards, will update the series annually for the next five years. Over the same period, the British Athletic Federation (BAF) should profit by a minimum of £500,000. In addition, the BAF will receive a percentage of the sales revenue. The Canadian card manufacturers are banking on the collectors' theory that children will build sets of 150 by buying or swapping with friends.

It is planned that the man-

Leading pair skip trials

PETER Elliott withdrew yesterday from the Olympic trials at the end of the month and Matthew Yates said it was "looking unlikely" that he would run in them, increasing the possibility that one or both of Britain's two leading 1,500 metres runners may be left out of the team (David Powell writes).

All prospective Barcelona squad members were told at the start of the year that they would be expected to appear in the trials in Birmingham on June 27 and 28. Last year Ellion returned home injured from the world championships without running, which was an influential factor in the directive for this year.

But Elliott, who expects to resume training by the end of the week after a knee injury, is to take his chance. "How can you not pick him for the Olympics?" Kim McDonald, his coach, said yesterday. "He has won his three races in Britain this year and has not been beaten by a British athlete over a mile or 1,500

metres for four years." Yates, the British No. 2 behind Elliott, has not trained for a week after falling ill. "At the moment the trials are not on for me," he said vesterday. David Cropper, the chair-

man of selectors, said on Sunday that allowances might be made for "people of that calibre".

BOWLS

Welsh and **Ackland** keep intact

BY DAVID RHYS JONES

BETTY Morgan, of Liandrindod Wells, a happy-golucky character, who won the Welsh singles championship on her 49th birthday last August, is an opportunist with a penchant for the trail

and the take-out. Skipping the Welsh four against England in the women's world championships at Ayr yesterday, she played a perfect trail to set up a count of four on the penultimate end. Then, like an expert marksman, she took out an England bowl for four on the

last end. Mary Price, whose form has been disappointing, cut the first count to one, but failed to reduce the second, so Wates collected five shots, recorded their second 18-18 tie of the day, and kept their unbeaten record intact.

So did their compatriot, Janet Ackland, who is defending her singles title, but there were surprise defeats for Ireland's Margaret Johnston, the 1988 runner-up, and Geua Vada Tau, of Papua New Guinea, the Commonwealth Games singles

champion. Johnston lost 25-17 to Annette Breitenbach, of Namibia, while Tau found Carmen Bishop, the Pacific Games champion, too much of a handful, and went down 25-

13.

RESULTS: Firth round: Singlea, section A: Botawana bi South Africa, 25-14 Wates bi India, 25-11, Zamba bi Swaziland, 25-19; India, 25-11, Zamba bi Swaziland, 25-18; Austraša bi Argentina, 25-19; Scotland bi Fig., 25-18. Zimbabuve bi Jersey, 25-18; Hong Kong bit America, 25-11. Section B: Norfolk Island bit Pupua New Gutnea, 25-13; Guerney bit Canada, 25-16; England: bit Kenya, 25-16; New Zealand bit Span, 25-18; Israel bit Singapore, 25-23; Fours, Section A: Irefand bit Kenya 18-16; Zimbabuva bit Ameras 20-17; Scotland bit Zamba 30-8, Australas bit Jersey, 25-12; South Ahnca bit Swaziland, 20-19; Section B: Wates drew with England, 18-18; Hong Kong bit Span, 21-18, Papua New Gunea bit India, 29-8, New Zealand bit Nambia, 24-18; Fiji bit Canada, 24-22; Guernsey bit Argentina, 30-10.

CRICKET 36

Germany ride their luck before recording a first European championship victory

Scotland depart with pride

FROM RODDY FORSYTH

THEY must depart the Euro-pean football championship on Friday morning after this defeat yesterday but Andy Roxburgh and his Scotland players redeemed these insipid finals with a performance of spirit and courage that was worth more than anything in the four ties preceding it in

Had they yielded to fate when Effenberg's attempted cross spun from the boot of Malpas and looped over Goram a minute after the interval, Scotland would have been excused. But their response was to rain relentless combination blows on the world champions only to be undermined, alas, by their longstanding inability to apply the critical touch in front of goal.

True, Scotland could not complain when, after a remarkable opening period that saw them create reneated openings around Illgner, they fell behind to an economically executed goal scored by Riedle: nor were they anything other than fortunate when Hässler and Moller saw measured shots ricochet back from the posts behind

Nevertheless, it took several bouts of scrambled German defending and a sequence of inspirational saves by Illgner to deny them the single point that would have sustained their interest in this competition.



Take one: Riedle, left, scores the first goal for Germany in their 2-0 European championship win over Scotland yesterday

The astonishing scenes in the Idrottspark, where the Scottish supporters celebrated for an hour afterwards as though their team had actually won the championship, brought Andy Roxburgh from the dressing room to salute them with tears cours-

ITV move criticised

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ENGLAND have distanced themselves from ITV's decision to send Uefa a videotape of the incident in which Basile Boli, the French defender, apparently butted Stuart Pearce. Boli was not penalised by the Hungarian referee, Sandor Puhl, during the goalless game in Malmö.

Pearce, who needed three stitches in a facial injury, crit-icised the decision. "Players don't like trial by TV at any

"I felt it was a total accident and I'm not complaining. As far as I'm concerned, I have no malice for Boli, so where's the problem? These things should be left to the referee. and I thought he had a good game." Uefa confirmed they

will disregard the videotape, though they could still take action if their own observer makes a report

The England manager, Graham Taylor, was clearly annoyed by ITV's action. "I'm not too certain that's going to help our cause," he said. "If anyone was going to complain it should have been us, and we're not complaining."

Trevor East, ITV's Europeproducer, said: "We have sent a copy of the tape to Pat Jennings, who is in Sweden as a member of Uefa's Fair Play committee. He is shocked by what he has seen and matters could be taken

ing down his face. When he was able to compose himself sufficiently to ly. If anything, we started almost too enthusiastically."

summarise the main proceedings, he said: "We had a real go and you can't legislate for the ball not going into the net.

On the day, your players either put it there or they don't, and we didn't, but I am bound to say that there was a measure of bad luck as far as

our players were concerned. Early in the match,



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RESULTS: Holland 1, Scotland 0; CIS 1, Germany 1; Germany 2, Scotland 0. REMAINING MATCHES: Thursday: Holland v Germany (Gothenburg, 7.15); Scotland v CIS (Norrköping, 7.15).

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lems down the right hand side, which was mainly a matter of us not covering proper-

Certainly, the catalogue of Scottish opportunities was extraordinary during the first 20 minutes. Two fell to McAllister, the first an attempted chip over Illgner. which the goalkeeper beat away two-handed, the second a volley that missed its target by a few inches.

McClair, too, was offered a sight of goal and, with an agile swivel, he spun the ball accurately towards the net but again Illgner got his fingers to the ball. A Gough header that crossed the goalmouth begged to be diverted over the line as did a free kick from McAllister, which fell at the feet of McPherson no more than three yards out but, even from that range, the contrived to strike the ball vertically into the stand

Such profligacy was bound to be punished and, sure enough, as the half-hour mark approached, Germany struck. Sammer began the move with a thrust into the Scottish penalty area, where Klinsmann held off Gough to nudge the ball ahead of Riedle. McKimmie might have intervened but he was baffled by the speed of the manouevre and the Roma forward drove smartly be-

yond Goram. The contest now swung from end to end with both sides having to scurry to contain the other's counterattacks. Scotland could consider themselves very much in contention at the break but their ambition was struck a

mortal blow within seconds of the restart by Effenberg's di-

In Norrköping.

verted cross. Self-pity might have been appropriate; instead. Scotland galvanised their sinews and drew strength from some apparently inexhaustible in-ner well. Without ever being dirty or brutal, the game became literally bonecrushing and, in their attempts to repe the waves of Scottish assaults, Buchwald and Reuter were led from the field with their

heads swathed in bandages. Riedle stayed but at the cost of a broken nose and he and his two fellow casualties will almost certainly miss the crucial section decider with Holland on Thursday. Scotland may effectively be gone but their impact on this tournament is reverbrating fiercely.

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Natal sign Marshall of Barbados

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

Johannesburg: The West Indian fast bowler, Malcolm Marshall, has signed a contract to play for the South African provincial side, Natal, the cricket club announced here yesterday. Brian Short, the Natal

cricket union chief executive. told an independent radio station that the former West Indian Test player would help boost Natal's domestic ambitions. He denied that Marshall,

aged 34, was getting past his best, saying the Barbadian was "as vicious as he ever was". Marshall arrives in South Africa in September. ☐ Tony Middleton, the Hampshire batsman, fell 16 runs short of becoming the first batsman to reach 1,000 first-class runs for the season

at Edgbaston yesterday. His disappointment was exacerbated when the Warwickshire pace bowler, Gladstone Small, played out the last 15 overs to deny his side its fourth victory of the season.

Surrey hold on, page 36 Scorebourds and

Scotland keep option open of assessing Scott's form

FROM ALAN LORIMER IN TOOWOOMBA

SCOTLAND have named Martin Scott as the reserve hooker for their penultimate tour game tomorrow night against Queensland Country Origin. Scott joined the tour party only yesterday after being flown out from Scotland as replacement for the

Charlie Ritchie, the tour manager, however, revealed that Scott could yet play in the game and the assumption is that the tour selectors may be considering a late switch in order to assess his fitness and possible readiness for inclusion in the Scotland team to face Australia in Brisbane.

Commenting on the team. Richie Dixon, the Scotland coach, said: "There are one or two areas in the international side that we have to look at. The Wednesday players know that." In particular. Dixon referred to "the lineout problem" experienced last Saturday against Australia. "There are places up for grabs, he

Among the forwards it is Damian Cronin who has the best chance of promotion. The London Scot has been averages, page 36 | appointed pack leader, but it

play either Sean Lineen or Scott Hastings. That, howevis not his generalship that will be under scrutiny, rather his er, would give the young mid-field trio that had played in technical ability in the lineout opposite Garrick Mor-gan, who will be playing his the midweek games more third game against the touring team. A good display by Cronin could result in his Among the backs, Ken Logan, who is on the right wing recall to the national side at

tomorrow, will be scrutinised the expense of Neil Edwards, for the international side. He would have to displace Tony Derek Bain, injured in the Stanger, but according to game last Tuesday against New South Wales in Tam-David Johnston, the assistant coach, "he is one of these worth, is hopeful of being fit players who instinctively for the game tomorrow. tends to do things right". Should he fail to recover in TEAM: M Roebuck D Campése, R Tomba, T Horam, P Carezza, M Lynegh, N Par-Jones, T Dely, P Koarra, E McKenzie, W Chihangau, R McCail, J Ealea, D Wison, T Gevin. Replacamenta: P Jorgensen, A Horbort, P Stattery, T Color, D Crowley, T Laufon. time, the Scots will reluctantly

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☐ Australia have announced an unchanged side for the second international match against Scotland on Sunday

Courier and Seles head seedings list

By Andrew Longmore TENNIS COMMENTONDENT

THE world's No. 1 tennis players, Monica Seles and lim Courier, neither of whom have progressed beyond the quarter-finals at Wimbledon. will head the list of seeds when the championships be-gin next Monday. The seedngs committee, which has the right to alter the world rankings to take account of grass-court expertise, did an-nounce a number of changes in the men's seedings, though not in the women's, which exactly follows the computer.

Boris Becker, champion three times and finalist for six of the past seven years, and the defending champion, Michael Stich, have been promoted above Pete Sampras, who is ranked three in the world but whose results on grass have not yet matched his potential. Sampras has won just one match at Wimbledon. Becker has won 42, and more than £750,000 in

prize-money. Stich is seeded three and Becker four. Sampras has dropped to five, which is entirely fair. Had Sampras remained at three, Edberg, Becker and Stich, who have six titles between them, could have been drawn in the same half. As it is, Stich and Becker, who confirmed yesterday that he has dismissed Tomas Smid, his third coach in 16 months, will now be in different halves.

The Spaniard, Carlos Costa, the world No. 10 who has played just one match on grass, is not seeded, allowing David Wheaton, a semi-finalist last year, to be promoted from a ranking of 27 to No. 16 seed. After a poor year so far, the American does not really deserve the honour, but he has a better chance of reaching the later stages than the cluster of clay-court spe-

cialists above him. After their controversial decision to make Seles the top seed last year, before the YuSINGLES SEEDS

goslav's withdrawal, the committee had little alternative but to stick by the rankings again. In the intervening year. Seles has won all three grand slam titles and strengthened her position as world No. 1, while Martina Navratilova's quarter-final defeat last year did nothing to support her belief she should have been seeded higher. Thankfully, too, there has been no attempt to punish Seles for her indiscretions 12

A case could have been made for Graf, the defending and three-times champion, to move above Seles on the strength of her grass-court record, but it would have made little difference because, either way, the pair would not be scheduled to meet until the final.

Similarly, Courier has earned his position as top seed by winning the first two grand slam tounaments of the year and, in his present mood, is unlikely to be troubled by the thought of the three Wimbledon champions

Woosnam needs to recover form

FROM MITCHELL PLATTS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT IN PEBBLE BEACH, CALIFORNIA

WITH the 92nd US Open starting on the Pebble Beach course here on Thursday, Ian Woosnam has mislaid the winning touch. Unless he gets it back soon, he could be tempted to take a break from

Since he captivated Augusta by winning the US Masters 14 months ago. Woosnam has won only one tournament, the Monte Carlo Open last year. Although he made a commendable de-fence of his Masters title in April, he has played in eight tournaments in 1992 with a best finish of fifth. In the Cannes Open. He finished 31st, 55th and 33rd in his

past three tournaments. What worries Woosnam is the thought of losing his game altogether. "I don't think I'm the kind of player who, if I started playing bad-ly could go on competing," he said. "I think I might simply stop, go away and sort it out. I don't think I'm the kind of person who could keep bang-ing the head against a brick wall. It would drive me crazy.

To me that would be like going back to the old days. I would find it very difficult. I would hate to become as frustrated as I was ten years ago, before I first won.'

Woosnam, the runner-up in the 1989 US Open, can raise his game for the major get in a more positive frame of mind for them," he said. "I struggle at times to concentrate but that isn't a worry in the majors."

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Davies in form. page 34

British boxing tightens up over the no-hopers

BRITISH boxing is determined to prevent the so-called 'Mexican roadsweepers' dimbing into rings in this country. The authorities are to impose tougher standards on boxers imported from outside Europe - even to the extent of banning world title contenders if they do not match up to stricter criteria.

The British Board of Control intend to stage a sixmonth experiment from September I which will allow only boxers "truly" rated as "first series" to box in this country. Even world contenders will be subject to a close scrutiny of their boxing and medical records.

The board will reserve the right to block a boxer's appearance in Britain. There was disquiet about the credentials of two recent world title challengers. John Jarvis and Steve Cruz, and it was backed by the defeat of both men in three rounds on the same night by Chris Eubank and Paul Hodkinson. The board say they are

"well aware" that the definition of "first series" is open to argument. Guidelines will be discussed between now and September. Experts on both sides of the

Atlantic will be consulted and John Morris, the board secretary, who will have talks in London on the subject soon with Jose Sulaiman, the World Boxing Council president, said: "There is a lack of genuine knowledge about some overseas fighters."

☐ HIV tests will be carried out annually on all boxers in

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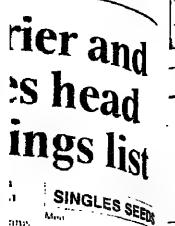
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Yes or no to the Irish question?

Where the Danes led, will Ireland

follow in

Thursday's referendum on the

Maastricht treaty? Walter Ellis reports

on new troubles

The Irish people will not turn their backs on Europe in this Thursday's referendum on the Maastricht treaty. But they certainly hope to thumb their noses at it. They have tired of being told that the European Community is automatically a "good thing", whose ordi-nances must be revered like holy writ carved in stone in 12 languages. Many are equally indig-nant that their views on abortion might be overturned simply again in the intense fied a "service" by bureaucrass fied a "service" by bureaucrass and thereby rendered as Brussels and thereby rendered as so many tonnes of strengthened her positions marketable as so most of all, they intervention beef. Most of all, they wish to show their government, Man random and all other politicians from the defeat their approval support her help she she on matters of constitutional reform, have been stored him touching on what Joyce called the Thanktally, has there be conscience of his race, cannot be been no attempt to pure taken for granted and that Ireland, against all the evidence, remains a

free and independent state. 4 case could have be If this last is not so, they argue made for cital the defeat what were 700 years of struggle and three times champie; against the British all about?

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record. Put it would are aries to the march of a nation?". In made little different the opinion of many Irishmen because, either way the pr and, more especially, Irish women would not be scheduled? — the question has been answered meet until the final with a degree of bathos that only.

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M. Delots, the president of the European Commission and principal architect of Maastricht, has said and no further. And they wish heartly to return the compliment. Their problem is that they cannot fifterally afford to

'My father too far. EC memwas never in a Irish Republic to an extent that Britain bank in his can only dream of While unemploy ment has reached record levels, and

life. Now I'm borrowed up to the hilt' Wedsham the master obtained agriculture, opened up markets and encouraged the

sheds and increased stock three times over. The result is we've

In short, I reland faces a dilemma. of monumental proportions. It wants to say yes and it wants to say referendum, promoting a blessed stasis, would accurately reflect its

Damned if they do: anti-Maastricht campaigners lobbying shoppers in Kilkenny believe the referendum is all about abortion, particularly the chance that it could be brought in by the back door Janus-like perspective, and in the absence of such a mathematically precise result the likelihood is for a Joe Fortune's farm, three miles north of Wexford, is approached

along an unmade road lined with ash and hawthorn. The farm occupies 140 acres of mostly rough pasture, sloping down to a broad sweep of the River Slaney. The cattle look sleek and contented. A ruined castle guards the approach. Before the Normans constructed this lonely fortress, the Danes, who

whispered, almost a hissed, yes.

longships in the river's tidal reach. "I always was in favour of Europe," Mr Fortune says. He speaks slowly and softly, considering his words.
"But it's become too complicated.

They're squeezing farmers all the joined [in 1973], everyone borrowed so much money to intensify production. This is what they told us they wanted. We drained the land, built

worked ourselves into a corner. "I don't see any future unless you're a ranch. There's no call for family farms. Before, farmers were never in banks. My father was never in a bank in his life. Now, I'm borrowed up to the hilt and asked to worry about interest rates and a

common currency for Europe.
"What's a young, intelligent farmer, with ambition, to do? They have all that training and all they can expect is a cheque in the post from Brussels for the work they're not doing. It doesn't make sense."

Mr Fortune is similarly vexed about the abortion question. Concerned that the agreement's clauses on the equal availability of services throughout the community could be used by women's rights campaigners to bring in abortion by the back door, the former prime minister, Charles Haughey, had Protocol 17 inserted, entirely without con-sultation among his colleagues,

exempting Ireland from any guarantees about a right to travel and a right to information. It was, to adapt an earlier comment on the condoms were made available on prescription only, "an Irish solution to an Irish problem", but it did not have the effect intended.

nstead, the Miss X case erupted, involving a legal battle over the right of a 14year-old Irish rape victim to travel to England to have an abortion. When the Supreme Court overruled a high court ban on her journey. Maastricht suddenly became a focus for the entire debate. To the anti-abortion lobby, it appeared that Protocol 17 had not worked as planned and needed to be replaced by a more definite prohibition.

Those favouring women's rights to end unwanted pregnancies meanwhile concluded precisely the opposite, seeing the protocol as a means of denying Ireland the same rights as anyone else. So the two factions are thus locked in an alliance against Maastricht. "We should be left here in Ireland to work out our own moral ques-tions," Mr Fortune says, "We don't need Jacques Delors to do it for us."

Pat Doyle, a neighbour who has worked tirelessly for a "No" vote on Thursday, likes hardly anything about Maastricht, and his views would be music to Euro-sceptics

throughout the 12. The agreement, he insists, is "disastrously, frighten-ingly awful. Jacques Delors appals me. He's an unelected bureaucrat, answerable to no one.

"I'm all for trading with my friends and neighbours. But leave my constitution alone, leave my police alone, leave my army alone. They may not be the best in the

but I'll tell you this, I'd trust an Englishman before 1'd trust a Frenchman or a German. Farmers

'We should be times faster in the last 20 years since we joined the EC than at any time in our history, including the famine." On abortion, Mr Doyle is every bit as resolute: "I want to restrict nobody's right to travel or

tion are for another time (the govern-ment has promised a second refer-man but anxious not to be seen in endum in the autumn), but it's a matter for the Irish people." This is a popular sentiment. In

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own views on abor-

Kilkenny, an ancient town overlooked by the magnificent stronghold of the Earls of Osmonde, a group of anti-abortion campaigners canvasses the narrow streets.
"Do you know," one elderly lady

confides from her doorstep, "there's some as thinks the referendum is not all about abortion." Dr Miriam Hogan, a local GP, is

suitably astonished. "Well, I hope you put them right," she says. "I did, dear. I did. We had to send missionaries once to civilise Europe. Maybe we'll have to send

There is a spontaneous outburst by a middle-aged widow of an Irish soldier who served with UN forces in the Congo and Cyprus. She has to live off a pension of just 62 Irish pounds a week for herself and her

world, but leave them alone.
"I believe in unity in diversity,

drawn, leaving prime minister Albert Reynolds with substantial Euro-egg on his face. Nor does she appeared three

> left here in Ireland to work out our own moral questions'

> > cent a Maastricht Brussels as part of a bandwagon effect originating in Copenhagen's Tivoli Gardens, has joined forces with other political leaders and the trade unions to persuade Ireland to vote "yes". Thus Fianna Fail and its governing coalition partner, the Progressive Democrats, plus the opposition Fine Gael, Labour and the ITUC, are each lined up with M Delors, and dominating the

family and she has nothing good to

say either about the government or

the community. She is particularly

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Mr Reynolds, not necessarily 100 per

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advertising campaign. Ranged against this constellation of the Establishment is the Roman Catholic church which has urged voters to exercise their conscience on the abortion question, and a rainbow coalition of antis, known as the National Platform.

Though they have often accused themselves of keeping their heads buried in the EC trough, the Irish have been aroused by Maastricht as by no other community development, including the Single Europe-an Act. Even liberal intellectuals are coming increasingly to the view that the community is moving too fast towards economic and political

Conor Cruise O'Brien for one takes a view which many of the unemployed and low-paid will share. "I shall vote no on Thursobject to my government trying to con me. I hope there is a large no vote because it will discourage the government from further confi-

dence tricks.' Dr Garret FitzGerald, the former Fine Gael Taoiseach, however, remains a convinced federalist. The Maastricht Treaty", he says, "provides our only chance of bringing the policies of the large countries under European control in the common interest of all member

In two days' time, the numbers game comes to the crunch, and the chances are that, amid widespread abstention, the yes faction will achieve a narrow victory of as much as 60 per cent of a low vote. Money and power talk.

The antis, however, have not yet entirely given up hope. If they can only succeed in translating deeplyfelt disquiet into votes, not just one country, but two, will have cocked a snook at economic and monetary union, and France will stand, en-

couraged, in the wings. knows. The Irish hardly dare think

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Who does it: Patrick Stoddart on the tricky art of reconstructing crime on television

Safety takes a back seat on the school run

Late and Times pages. river Frank's is a story which goes to show that things aren't what they used to be. Middle-aged people are xing tightens full of such stories; but, then, we are the ones who know.

If we talk indiscreetly about

Frank or discuss his story in too much detail, we might cost him his lob. We must be careful not to the story of the story identify him — so let's agree that his name is not really Frank. Let's just say that he works in a remote country area and that he drives the bus for a village primary school.

and have the kersell at the least continue to the second continue to He starts his morning run before eight o'clock in a distant hamlet. The school is less than four miles in a straight line from that point of departure but the journey lasts hearly an hour as Frank loops and doubles back along the lanes from hamlet to cottage picking up tots and times until the bus is full and he deposits his load of 20 passen-

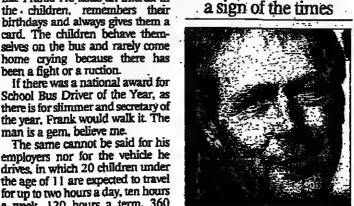
Attaches with constituted from North wife in the constituted from the co gers in the playground at 8.50. The laries are narrow. Frank drives carefully. You might come to the crest of a hill and you might have to brake sharply and drive up the verges to avoid a offision, but frank never does. He is seady and calm and you can see him string up there behind the wheel concentrating on his work With the County of the County wheel concentrating on his work and taking it seriously.

Sometimes, when Frank is ill or on holiday, another driver will take his place and the children will moan and say that the ride to school was bumpy and frightening and the driver was grumpy. Not like Frank. He takes an interest in the children, remembers their birthdays and always gives them a card. The children behave themselves on the bus and rarely come

been a fight or a ruction. If there was a national award for School Bus Driver of the Year, as there is for slimmer and secretary of the year, Frank would walk it. The man is a gem, believe me. The same cannot be said for his

employers nor for the vehicle he drives, in which 20 children under the age of 11 are expected to travel for up to two hours a day, ten hours a week, 120 hours a term, 360 hours a school year. The bus is a heap, nearly 20 years old. Its underpowered engine is poorly maintained and breaks down with busted fan-belts or perished hoses or corroded fuel lines two or three times a term. There are no belts in the seats so the infants must keep their places on the fraying seats as best they may while Frank negotiates the rutted tracks and pot-holed lanes along his route. You will never hear a parent worrying about MID LIFE

Neil Lyndon fears Driver Frank's plight is



the safety of the children in Frank's hands, but they look at the heap and wonder how it happens that a score of children must take their daily chances in such a wreck

It happens because the local education authority has put the school bus contract out to tender and it needs to accept the cheapest bid. The cheapest bid comes from Frank. It is able to undercut its

rivals because it appears to spend little money on the maintenance, repair or replacement of the heap and because it pays Driver Frank less in wages than the school pays its cleaners.

One day last week, at the end of the afternoon run, he warned the children that he might be a few minutes late picking them up in the morning. He was going to have to drive another coach all night, he said, and he couldn't be exactly sure when he would be able to get started in the heap. As it happened, he was exactly on time, as ever.

Perhaps he should have refused to drive the children. Perhaps he should have told his employers: "Listen, you irresponsible fools. I've got the lives of 20 kids in my hands and if I fall asleep at the wheel you will have their blood on your hands." Perhaps the world ought to be a better place. It truly was, once. Nearly 40 years ago. I went to a

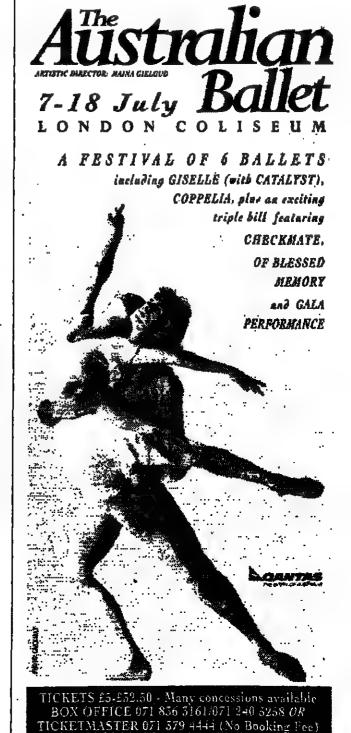
village school in a country area like the one which Frank now circumnavigates. My friends and I travelled from our harnlet on the regular, hourly public buses which ran between the villages. The local authority also contracted with the county bus company for a coach to carry children whose homes lay far company which employs from those public routes. Tendering for price and skinflinting for

profit did not, I believe, come into these arrangements.

At that time, the local authority also mowed their verges in summer and cleared the snow in winter. Drivers of public vehicles full of children might then be able to steer a straight line without dodging potholes and see around and beyond corners to check on approaching traffic. Driver Frank must do his work without these aids. It is lovely to see the poppies in abundance on the uncut roadsides today; but the pleasure may be considered a mite expensive if it hampers the vision of a school bus driver and involves any measure of increased danger for his

Taken for itself, Frank's story probably doesn't matter much. An exhausted man is required to drive a rusting wreck full of little children and he and his employers get away with it for another day without disaster befalling: no big deal. The story matters more if it indicates a general tendency or pattern. Are there many Franks? How many heaps? And how can we tell ourselves that we live in an improving age if children are now subject to risks and dangers from which we were, ourselves, shielded by the more considered judgments and arrangements effected by our

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Royalty Theatre, Portugal Street,
London WC2 (07) -494 5090), tonightSat, 7.30pm.

BARE ESSENTIALS: The ICA in and: Endeau with the ICA m association with their ansen launches a British and memational season of dance by established and emerging artists. Tonight until Wednesday leading British cancernaiser Yolande teadury british sancemaker Yolande Snarth presents her group Dance Quorum in No Respire, three people battle out mistrust, jealousy and possession in a medieval context. ICA, The Mail, London SW1 (071-930 0493), eves 8pm.

THE RISE AND FALL OF LITTLE THE RISE AND FALL OF LITTLE VOICE: Jame Horrocks plays a character locked rule a word of her own, overshadowed by the ambitions of a desperate mother (Alison Steadman) and a books who wants to control her future. This is a new play by Road author Jim Cartwright and is the second of his plays to be staged at the National (Contestoe), South Bank, London SE I (071-928 2252), opening right, 791

DER FLIEGENDE HOLLANDER: The earliest of Wagner's operas to retain a place in the repertory is given a predictably slick and broadly period production by the reliable lan Judge. Judia Varady sings Sentra with her usual passionate commitment, the young swedish tenor Thomas Surniegarch tackles the thankless role of Erik, Nell Archer is the Steersman, James Morris a mellifulous Dutchman Christoph von Dohnamyi conducts with relich. The work is performed, as the composer intended, without breaks. DER FLIEGENDE HOLLANDER: The

☐ ASPECTS OF LOVE: Sarah unghtman in last week of Lloyd Webber's popular success before a national four. Prince of Wales Coventry Street, W1 (071-839 5972). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm.

CI THE BLAF ANGEL; Kelly Humber and Philip Madoc in Trevor Numn's intolerating staging: angel of desire becomes the demon of destruction. (Globe, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065) Mon-Sat, 7 30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm. 130mms.

I LE HOURIGIEOIS GENTILIOMINE Richard Jones's so-so production, with Timothy Spall as a boongh hero. Pine visuals, http://dxteelson/, South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Today 2.15pm and 7.30pm. 140mms

DIDEATH AND THE MAIDEM And Dortman's scorching psychological drama on the longing for revenge; Geraldine James and Paul Freeman now join Michael Byrng, Duke of York's, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, 120mms.

DEJAVU: Jirrayy Porter 36 years on Obborne's nero rans and whinges but in a vacuum, and Perer Egan seems too good-natured to be the Angry Old Man. Comedy Theeure, Panton Street, SW1 (071-S67 1045) Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, 3pm Sat. 4pm. 170mms.

HEARTEREAK HOUSE Paul Scoheki and Vanessa Redgrave head Trevor Nunn's splendid cast in Shaw's timeless, state-of-England drams. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 2800). Mon-Sat, 7.50pm, mats Went, Sat, 2.30pm, 725mm. Final

MAD, SAD AND DANSEROUS TO KNOW: Denk Jacobi presents wersome, sentised byron. Only for dedicated followers of Jacobi. Ambassador's, West Street, WC2 (071-836 6111), Mon-Sat, Spm, mat Wed, Sat, 3pm 135mms MOBY DICK: A girls' school puls on a fund-raising show. Tony Monopoly

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Karl Knight

Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240 1066), 8pm. BIGEF ENCOUNTERS: VERMEER-DE AMERICAN THE TWO PAINTINGS COMPARED THE TWO PAINTINGS COMPARED TO STREET IN DEIT, both pairmed between 1658 and 1661. The resemblances are obvious, the differences slow to show themselves but finally deeper and more far-reaching.

Z-30pm.

WELSH MATIONAL OPERA: The company is in Birmingham this week performing a mixed repertoire. Tonight and Thursday brings the new staging of liphigenie en Taunde conducted by Sir Charles Mackerras, with a stiming vocal performance from Disna Montague making her debut in the leading role. Joacham Herz's staging of Madam Brüterfly, with Helen Field in the totarole, is performed tomorrow and Saturday, and Elijah Moshinksy's production of Verd's Ernani with Paolo Kudriavchenko singing Emani, comes in on Friday. many uceper and more tar-reaching. Vermeer's The Little Street, on loan from the Rijksmuseum, is a model of magic realism, without nooceable human interest, de Nooch's The Courtpard of a House in Delft, which belongs to the National Gallery, makes more play of the floures. National Gallery, Traiaigar Square, London WC2 (071-839 3321). Mon-Sat, 10am-6pm, Sun 2-6pm, opens todayon Friday. Hippodrome, Hurst Street, Birmingham (021-622 7496), tonight-Sat, 7.15pm, mat Sat, 2pm.

NORTHERN BALLET THEATRE: As part of the Hull Festival, the company performs Swan Lake, choreographed by American Dermis Wayne and directed by Christopher Gable, who has a fine eye like dismals, decal. New Theatre, Kingston Square, Hull (0482 226655), tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 2.30pm.

SHADES: Woking receives the world premiere of Sharman Macdonald's nev play, with Pauline Collins heading a cast under the direction of Sanon Callow. Set in Fiftes Scotland the play concerns the love tugs between a woman, har son, mother and lover.
New Victoria Theartre, The Peacocks
Arts Centre, Woking (0483 761144),
tonight-Sat, 8prn, mars Wed, 2.30pm,
Sat, 4pm.

JOE COCKER: A one-off date for the powerful, throaty singer, currently in the charts with his single, "Now That The Magic Has Gone",

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London House full, returns only
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plays a headmistress playing Captain Ahab. Beached musical. Piccadility. Denman Street, W1 (071-867 1118). Mon-Sat, Spm, mata Tues, Sat. 4pm. 135mins.

O PHILADEL PHIA . **ERE | COMET!

Affectionate comedy of an irrsh emigrant and his carping after ego. Excellent revival of Binan Friel's first success. King's Head, 115 Upper Street, N1 (071-226 1916), Tues-Sat, 8pm, mats Sat, Sun, 3.30pm. 120mi

El PYGMALJORE Alan Howard Francis Barber in a Howard Day Francis Barber in a Howard Davies production that some admire great while others feel subordinates the text to a clever design. National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), Today, 2pm and 7.15pm, 195mins.

THE RULES OF THE GAME: Victoria carffiths and Nicola Pagett in Prandello's sardonic study of marital revenge, not as subplucous as it could be but still a gropping drama. Alcoelda, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404), Mon-Set Spm, mat Sat, 4pm. 120mins.

SROUL: A company of black South Africans dancing their cares away. Amans cancing unit care.
Bland pap.
Queen's, Shaftesbury Avanue, London
WI (071-494 5040), Mon-Thurs, 8pm,
Fri, Sat, 5pm and 8.30pm, 140mms. A SUF OF THE TOMOUS: A worksh
John Malkovich in a lightweight drama
that seems to equate East-European dissilence with getting girls into bed. Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399), Mon-Triets, Bjatt,

CHEINGREAN AND ENDELLON STRING QUARTETS: The two leading chamber groups perform Strauss's String Sentet from Capriccio, Schoehberg's Verbildine Nacht and Mendelssofm's Octet. Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-638 8891), 7.45pm. ☐ SOME LIKE IT HOT: But want we get is lukewarm. Tommy Steele in poor musical version of the film. Prince Edward, Old Compton Street, W1 (071-734 8951). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 3pm. 165mins.

LONDON OPERA FESTIVAL: Opera

Circus present an energetic and minimalistic version of Grand Opera at

the Lillen Baylis Theotre. Meanwhile at the Place, Un Théatre pour la Musique

me Hace, Un treater pour la wasaque tells the true story of twins excommunicated from the outside world in Jumelies (The Silent Twins). Lilian Buylis Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, London ECT (071-278 891s), 8pm. The Place, Duke's Road, London WC1 (071-387 0031), 7,30pm.

CHELINGIRIAN AND ENDELLION

Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (071-589 8212), 7.15pm.

MY FAIR LADY: The Lerner and Loewe musical gets an invigorating new look from stage designer David Fielding (echoing his work with English National Opera) and cousarier lasper Conran Edward Fox is cast in the "Rex Harrison" role of Broilecty Himpins, and Helden.

role of Professor Higgins, and Helen Hobson is Eliza Docktole. The production

notion is attra Doortile. The product will reach London in the autumn. His Majesty's Theatre, Rosemount Viaduct, Aberdeen (0224 641122), tonight-Sat, 7,45pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2 30pm.

STRAIGHT AND RANDOWS olaş Lyndhurst, Neil Daglish and Carmel McSharry in likeable cornedy about a doting mother's worries, note:

her gay son. Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WCZ (071-867 1116). Mon-Sat, Spm. mats Wed, 3pm, Set, Spm. 130mins. THE METHOSO: Shadwell's Restoration cornedy of bad behaviour in the horse of a burnbing savent, directed with very by Phyllida Lloyd. The Pit, Barbican Centre, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mets Thurs, Sat, Zpm. 165mins.

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OPERA

Domingo brings the house down



Captivated: Placido Domingo and Olga Borodina in Samson et Dallla

Samson et Dalila Covent Garden

AS SAMSON in the only opera by Saint-Saens to hold the stage, Placido Domingo enters like a Lohengrin, a champion in shining white to save the threatened. He exits like an Otello. piecing together a few shards of his shattered reputation as Samson brings down the temple - and the house.

There is quite a lot of Wagner in Saint-Saens's score, one of the reasons why Samson suits Domingo so well at the moment as he moves his way carefully into more Heldentenor roles. But it also happens to be one he has carried in his repertory for a long time: he sang it at the Festival Hall back in 1973. The tenor who tackles Saint-Saens should also be able to sing Gounod and those lyrical qualities remain with Domingo as he succumbs to Dalila's caresses in the middle act.

Inevitably, the high point comes at the beginning of Act III in "Vois ma misère" as the blinded Samson, drenched in understandable self-pity, struggles to turn the mill-wheel. Nobody has greater vocal resources - or passion - than Domingo for conveying the wounded hero shorn of his strength and his hair. Earlier, in Act II, despite an unbecoming skirt, he had given a passable imitation of Victor Mature when Samson cannot resist coming to Dalila's retreat in Sorek. Quite apart from its vocal majesty Domingo's Samson is impressive for the way it probes every aspect, including the less agreeable ones, of the

Israelites champion temple wrecker. Neither does Olga Borodina, in an outstanding Royal Opera debut, make

any attempt to sugar the malice and religious fanaticism which motivate Dalila. The part is often assigned to middle-aged mezzos. Borodina shows what can be done when it goes to a young singer with plenty of years of vamping still ahead. Her voice is all of a piece throughout its compass: no hint of slavic throb, but instead a slight muskiness that adds credence to Saint-Saëns's raven-haired temptress. She took "Mon coeur s'ouvre" with a proper caressing softness: for once a Dalila lissom in voice and limb.

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The rest was home-grown. Jonathan Summers's bullet-headed High Priest has been with the production over several revivals and loses nothing in venom. Roderick Earle's Abimelech could have made a stronger impression, but the opera is only 20 minutes old before a spear goes through him. Mark Ermler, an indifferent Bohême conductor last month, is clearly at home with this score and, as a seasoned ballet interpreter, was able to make the Bacchanale more exciting and less trivial than usual.

Elijah Moshinsky's staging, now in the hands of Jeremy Sutcliffe, survives well and so does the Gaza, designed by Sidney Nolan, set in some Mediterra-nean outback and bathed in pink until the blood is let and the temple comes crashing down on the Philistines.

There were none of the latter in the house on this the last night of the Midland Bank Proms. The performance went out on the big screen in the Covent Garden piazza, where the celebrations continued with a birthday cake to mark the 21st anniversary both of the Midland Proms and of Domingo's first Covent Garden debut.

JOHN HIGGINS

FESTIVAL

Northern lights go up

Breaking the Ice

offered a chronological cross-section of Icelandic compos-

Glasgow ers. (It will be broadcast on Radio 3 in the autumn.) In the beginning was Jon Leifs, Iceland's "Bartok". After studying in Leipzig, he founded the Society of Icelandic Composets in 1945. No space in Glasgow for his massive Saga Symphony: instead, Three Images, concentrating his style of writing with blocks of primitive. fifth-based chords into three vividly orchestrated tableaux, gave a tantalising glimpse of this Ice Giant of Nordic music

Jon Nordal, one of the pioneer composer-teachers who brought back the good news of Boulez and Nono from Paris and Rome, was represented

by his 1965 Adagio for flute, harp, piano and strings, and his short 1975 Lang-

naetti (Winter Nights). In his use of distant folk sources and in his brooding introversion, Nordal is everything a Nordic composer is expected to be yet in his mastery of orchestration and manipulation of form he is one of the most sophisticated and original.

His younger contemporary, Leifur Thorarinsson, a more unquiet musical spirit of Viennese serial breeding, had his Violin Concerto performed by Sigrun Edvaldsdottir, who gave a formidable recital later in the week and will play at the Barbican's festival. She performed the Four Nocturnes of Thorkell Sigurbjörnsson, the living

father figure of contemporary icelandie musie. In prolific activity, if not in style, he is Iceland's answer to Britten. He has been spending time in Glasgow working with secondary schools and centres for the disabled.

That project was the brainchild of the Paragon Ensemble, Scotland's group of virtuoso soloists who gave a concert of new chamber works in the Henry Wood Hall. Karolina Eiriksdottir, a stylistic miniaturist, was represented by her Rhapsody in C for chamber orchestra, a robust and eccentric study in contrasting timbres and registers, dancing around noisy glorifications of the chord of C.

The evening also introduced the works of Askell Masson, an exciting percussionist turned composer, and the wry maverick Atli Heimir Sveinsson whose Fantastic Rondos epitomises the fusion of the eclectic and ironically eccentric in so much of -Iceland's music and writing.

HILARY FINCH

NEW RELEASES

JOHNNY SUEDE: Likeabie urban fairytele about a lone innocent (Brad Prtt) in bedstland, discovering love while dreaming hopelessly of success as a pop-star. Tom Dic Reviews star. Tom DiCRC ciracts. Camden Plaza (071-465 2443) Chelsea (071-351 3742/3743) Gata (071-727 4043) Lumlère (071-836 06911 MGM Oxford Street (071-636

STRAKIHT TALK: Doly Parton as a chatty Arkansas divorces who comes to town and hits the big time cown and nits ure big time masquerading at a radio psychologist. Directed by Bathet Kellman. Odeons: Kansington (0426 914666) West End (0426 915574) UCI Whitsleys (071-792 3332).

THE ADJUSTER (18): Atom Egoyan's usual tale of voyeunsm, (antasy and displaced persons; visually seductive but hollow. Elias Kotias, Arsinee Khanjian, Metro (071-437 0757)

 BASIC INSTRICT (18): San Francisco detective Michael Douglas and ice-pidi murder (uspect Sharon Stone nde a) sorded daycho-sexual rollercouster. Director, Faul Verhoeven.

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THE FIVE HEARTHLATS (15): Bland but good-natured tale of a black root in roll group's American journey. Robert Townsend writes, directs, and stars with Michael Winght, Tico Wells. MSM Failmen Road (071-370 2035) Prince Charles (071-437 8181).

HOWARDS END (PG): Absorbing version of E.M. Forster's novel about to colliding families with different ideals. With Anthony Hopkins, Emma

THE LAWRINGWER MAN (15) Pierce Brosnan's computers turn a simpleton (leff Fahey) into a cyber-monster. New technology jambore low by a muddled script. From a

Danes's powerful evocation of chidhood's lost paradise. With Leigh McCormack, Maryorie Yates, and a

ronderful aural collage of Fiftles

entain. Curzon West End (071-439 4805). THE PLAYBOYS (12): Love and Strong performances (Albert Finney, Robin Wright, Aidan Quinn), but too much blarney, Director, Gilles

Ticket information supplied by Society of West End Theatre

RUBY (3.5); Danny Alelio as the smal-time gangster who shot Lee Harvey Cawald. A tarne film compared to JRC, but good performances. Director, John Mackenze. Odeon Kansington (0426 914666).

RUSH (18): Narcutics agents become addicted. Forceful treatment of unpromising material from first-time director Lill Fini Zanuck. Jason Patric,

TURTLE BEACH (15): Journalist Investigates the fate of Vietnamese boat people in Malaysia. Dull adaptation of a popular Australian novel. Greta Scacchi,

masterly, no-nonsense portrait of the painter's last months. Fine performance from singer-turned-actor lacques

THEATRE

Quixotic

THIS festival of leelandic culture,

running throughout June in Glasgow,

is doing what its name, Breaking the Ice, promises. Those who thought the

country had little to offer except sagas,

whaling commissions and the aurora

borealis are seeing Icelandic sculpture

at the Glasgow Print Studio, hearing

jazz at the Tramway, viewing films and

sampling cuisine. There is even a poet

Iceland, population 260,000, has at

least 30 active composers. But our

knowledge of this musical activity is

small, one reason being that not until

independence was achieved, after the

war, did Icelandic music travel — and

European music travel to Iceland.

Beethoven's Ninth was not heard live in Reykjavik until 1963: the current

upsurge must be judged in this context. More will be revealed in the Barbican's

autumn festival of Scandinavian arts.

things to come. Richard Bernas con-

ducted the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra in a programme which

Glasgow is giving a piquant taste of

and composer in residence.

The Bolt Hole BAC, Battersea

ON HEARING that Jairo Anibal Nino, the author of this entertaining one-acter about a Latin American dictator holed up with his private secretary during a coup, hails from Colombia, one's knee-jerk reaction is to look for comparisons with Gabriel Garcia Marquez

In fact, Anibal Nino's most significant Hispanic literary ancestor is more venerable: the relationship between the grandiose, self-deluding President and his cringing, vole-like but realistic secretary is surely based on the partnership of Don Quixote and Sancho Panza. The additional ingredient is the crude, brutal machismo that bulks large and moustachioed in the stereotyped view of Latin America - a view that Anibal Nino, unfortunately, only confirms.

This excellent, inventive studio production directed by Anno Farthing (winner of BAC's Young Directors'

Later Garcia Marquez does come to mind, as David O'Keeffe's strutting, would-be-Napoleonic President metamorphoses into a story-teller, spinning outrageous yarns about cannibalism and alligators to an open-mouthed secretary (amusingly played by Roger May). But the realistic denouement comes almost too soon. This is enjoyable, but I wish the author had been able to resist the temptation to make the President so unreconstructed a macho monster.

HARRY EYRES

ROCK

Journey into opportunity — for instance on the relaxed swing of "What Do You Do", odd country

Lyle Lovett Hammersmith Odeon

IF THE Nashville establishment found k.d. lang too much to swallow, it is hardly surprising that Lyle Lovett's subversive brand of country has never appealed to the genre's traditionalist tastemakers. The humour of his lyrics is far too knowing, his manner suspiciously educated and his music corrupted by all manner of outside influences — from gospel to southern

To accommodate the unusually broad sweep of his creative ambitions. Lovett has recorded and toured sporadically over several years with his Large Band - eight musicians (including a horn section) plus a crack, four-piece team of backing singers.

But size is not everything, and although the band made a glorious

which featured a sparky duet between - ... Lovett and backing vocalist Francene: Reed — the ensemble was disappoint: ingly under-employed in general, with: various bits being hived off for about two-thirds of the programme.

ful Eraserhead quiff, went one better looking and behaving for all the world

harmonies to a languid weave of funk syncopations in a fashion which recalled the early work of Ry Cooder. "Church". "I've Been To Memphis" and "M-O-N-E-Y" took the core elements of country music on a tragicomic journey into the gumbo-spiritual. territory of the Neville Brothers, no: small achievement in itself.

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macho man

Award and on this showing a deserving one) wrings every drop of humour from a tightly written if at times predictable text. Much of the comedy is of the physical, slapstick variety. The round space of the bolt hole, defined by a suspended ring of gold-painted metal, becomes an arena for the playing of games, both real and imaginary - and, eventually, sanguinary. Games are the best way of whiling away time, but when you play with a Latin American dictator there can only be one winner.

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full-bodied sound when given the

Dressed conservatively in suits and ties, and ranged in front of a plush: . . velevet curtain backdrop, the musicians had the sober deportment of a chamber orchestra. The pasty-faced Lovett, now sadly shorn of his wonder

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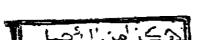
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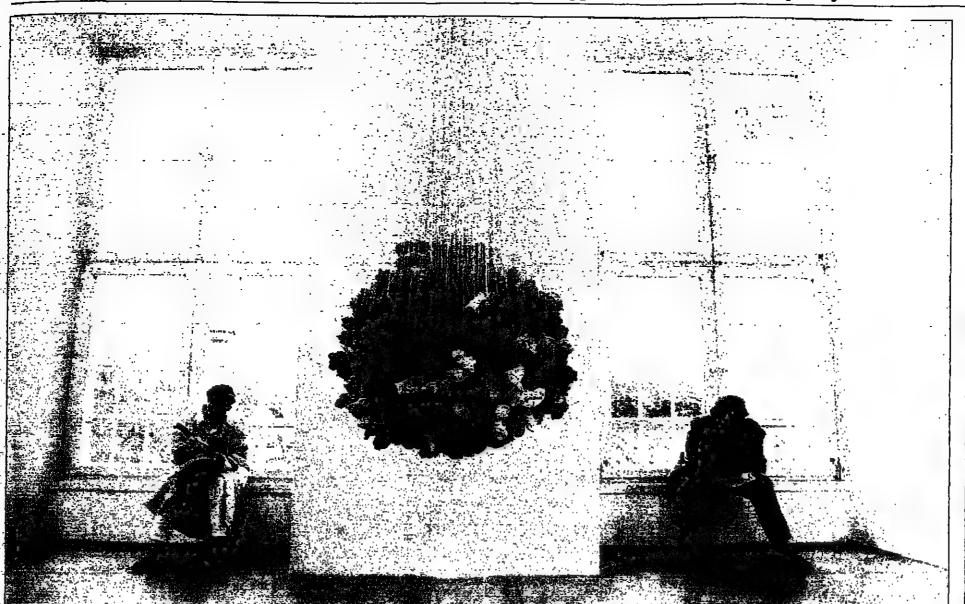
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Once every five years, a small town in Germany hosts the world's biggest exhibition of contemporary art. Richard Cork reviews Documenta IX in Kassel





Visitors to Documenta IX pause for thought, alongside work by Michel François (left) and in front of Jonathan Borofsky's sculpture outside the Fridericianum (right): the gargantuan, sprawling exhibition is a test of stamina

State of the art spectacular

that proper was the branch beseball as well. Held in In one sense, though, Hoet's emphasis on physical endur-Documenta need stamina. They could be forgiven for envying the man in Jonathan Borofsky's colossal sculpture outside on the Friedrichsplatz, who marches up a gleaming pole towards the sky Shirt sleeves rolled up, this purposeful adventurer gives the lie to the nearby 18th-century statue of Frederick II. The monarch looks as earthbound as the rest of us, but maybe Borofsky's heavenly exis essential viewing for anyone plorer is reminding visitors who wants to diagnose the that Documenta begins high state of the art. up in the tower of the

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Fridericianum Museum. museum director Jan Hoet Here, in a former astronomical observatory, eight artists has decided to mix art with sport and music. Hoet claims mostly from the past provide activities confront each other, compost. But we would be tor motatic at in he is setting "a broader challwrong to conclude that images like David's Death of Marat. Ensor's self-portrait, Gauguin's Tahitian scene and excitement which Giacometti's The Nose indicate a backwards hurch into traditionalism. For Hoet has no direct counterpart in sees these secular icons as attempts to "move out of they, and tanged in front of a productive response to art colorer current backdrop, the product the exhibitors in history and become 'liberated from constraints".

Although the messianic arch-liberator Joseph Beuys is stops well short of proposing that artists can change the world. The collapse of utopian ideologies in recent years has convinced him that, if art can alter anything, it is the individ-

ual rather than society. Not that Documenta IX has cautious air. Hoet wants the show to propose nothing less than "a completely new structure, itself to be a blueprint for an approach to art in the Nineties". He aims at launching an onslaught on the spectators' nerve ends, with an exhibition that "attacks visitors, seduces them, threatens, confuses, caresses, relaxes".

This heady ambition takes its most frenetic form in the large and rambling Fridericianum Museum. Step inside Bruce Nauman assails you at once with a loud, rasping, intensely theatrical installation. A vast white box crawling with images of black ants leads into a hellhole of video monitors filled with pictures of a man's shaven head, spinning as he shouts out indecipherable noises. There is no respite inside this clangorous chamber, and even after we have escaped, the sound pursues us throughout the museum.

Marisa Merz has placed a small quiet fountain in the centre of an otherwise bare white room. Her extreme purity contrasts with the sprawling prolixity of Michael Buthe's exotic installation beyond, dedicated to The Holy Night of a Bride to be. Around a fantastical structure of intertwined candles leading up to a cluster of gilded eggs, copper panels bear freely splattered images of female figures.

y no means all the rooms strive for provocative contrast. Francis Bacon, one of only five British artists in the show, is hung next to a suitably ominous and disturbing photo series of shadowy Bacon's death has turned his carryases into a memorial. They prove that the octogenarian painter was working powerfully to the end. And the triptych in particular takes on an elegiac air. A portrait of the younger Bacon is included in one section, balancing the unidentified young face on the other side. The artist appears to be contemplating his life with sadness, and in particular the erotic urge which unites

two naked, writhing figures in the centre.

Mortality more overt inside the installation called Precious Liquids by Louise Bourgeois. Now 81 and still irrepressible, she has erected a wooden structure with the inscription Art Is A Guaranty [sic] Of Sanity. Inside, an ancient bed with a lead mattress stands below a cluster of empty, dust-laden glass vessels. Most of the liquid they held has vanished down the plughole in the mattress, but hope survives as a luminous, shell-like form glowing on the floor nearby.

Outside the museum, above the underground car park, where the hard-hitting Cady Noland has placed damaged vehicles and photographs of exhibit takes the form of a simple cubic building. Inside, he confronts and disprientates the visitor with a large circular floor cavity, coated in limitless blue. The mysterious privacy of the experience he offers could hardly be further removed from Richard Deacon's sculpture, lying in open parkland below. Like a cross between a baseball bat and a juggler's skittle, his bulbous

wooden form nestles content-

edly within a crisp metal berth.
The show becomes confronseize the attention with their alarming yet lyrical power. tational again in the Neue Galerie, where the permanent Gary Hill is equally mesmericollection of 18th-century porsing. Walk into his Tall Ships traits has been partly dismanvideo installation, and the darkness prevents you from tled to make way for Zoe Leonard's close-up photo-graphs of vaginas. They look seeing anything at first. Then, by degrees, a long passage startling among the polite, smiling society ladies, but amount to little more than opens out ahead. White figures, all slightly out of focus, shock tactics. I preferred the corridor where Joseph Kosuth has draped the old master

paintings in black cloth printed with quotations from, among many others. Wittgenstein ("objects I can only name"). Sartre ("hell is other people"). Artsud ("all writing is pig-shit"), and Auden ("art is our chief means of breaking bread with the dead"). is about the living. However partially Hoet has succeeded in arriving at his blueprint for the decade ahead, he does highlight artists who deserve to be better known. One. Bill

Viola, presents a stunning installation within a dark, tall vault at the new Documenta-Halle. Projected on an immense vertical screen. slow-motion images of a figure falling towards water, and then floating underneath,

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towards or away from you Whether tentance, friendly, puzzled or fmil, they all seem at once intimate and remote. The silent frieze terminates with an image of a little girl She raises her arms slowly in a Back in the Fridericianum, simple gesture, and then returns them to her side. Both welcoming and bemused, this vulnerable figure seems to be gently acknowledging the final unfathomability of human experience.

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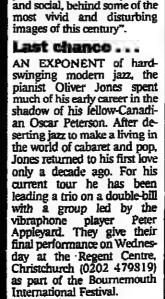
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days when golf clubs in France were few and far between and the language barrier brought all sorts of misunderstand-

ings. However, the boom in golf and course building has not been matched by the number of home-grown "debutantes" and the French have turned to golfingtourists, particularly the British, to recover

their costs and provide income.

There are 27 companies offering specialist golf packages in France. Perhaps the easy option is to choose one of these, especially for a first visit, but France is ideally suited to the independent traveller. Avoid weekends. July and August, and you will rarely find any problem getting a game.

If doing-it-yourself does not appeal, read the brochures and select the area you fancy then go for the operator who specialises in that region. Much of the French golf explosion has occurred in their traditional holiday spots, in Normandy and Brittany, around Bordeaux and Biarritz, along the Mediterranean

seaboard, even high-up in the Alps. So tourists, golf or otherwise, are no strangers and hotel owners, big and small, often join forces with clubs to offer a local package, room with dinner and golf thrown in, and some of these deals are £30 a head in spring and autumn.

If you are a first-timer, head for Boulogne and the courses nearby at Wimereux, Hardelot, St Omer and Le Touquet, a chic destination for Paris week-enders with any number of hotels and restaurants in town. Three or four days here, especially in mid-week, can be very rewarding. The French Open championship has been staged on the sea course at Le Touquet and there are few better courses to be found anywhere.

A new 18 holes were opened last year at Hardelot, but the old course retains its magic among the pine forests. Many a missed putt on the 18th or scuffled drive on the first have been witnessed from the windows of the delightful Restaurant du Golf, where there are several price options on the inclusive menu but the five-course gourmet offering is never more than FFr180.

Further into France but still just-acrossthe-channel are the many courses in Normandy, with a diverse mixture of brand new hotels and converted chateaux. Between Rouen and the quaint seaside town of Deauville is the new

Andrew Graham offers a guide to the best of the growing number of

course at Champ de Bataille where the massive, 17th-century chateau could hold a regiment. Externally, its splendour rivals many a royal palace but today in serves merely as a dubhouse: the recession put paid to the plans for a hotel here.

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Closer to Rouen, a more modest edifice will be found at Le Vaudreull. There are just 40 beds in the hotel, the former gatehouse of this lovely old estate. Deauville itself has 27 holes, a favourite of the 1930s socialites who took a weekend's racing with their golf. There you have three venues, all well worth a visit. and a golf pass for this region allows five rounds in a seven-day period from a wide selection of courses for FFr850.

Moving south, to Brittany, there are half-a-dozen new courses close to the Atlantic coast between Quimper and Saint-Laurent. This is rural France and for a week's golfing holiday, or longer, a number of self-catering options are available, from country cottages to studio apartments on the course.

If you prefer the more established clubs, try La Baule. Demand is reflected in the level of green fees, £30 and more, depending on season and day of the week. But the championship 18 holes are a superb test, particularly the closing holes around the lake. You can save a few pennies accompanied by a touch of luxury as the Hotel l'Hermitage, in town,

provides one of those all-in packages. On now to Bordeaux, oyster country and you can gorge from freshly opened shells by the roadside for FFr25 a dozen, or upwards of FFr50 at one of the many fish restaurants in the old town. Close to Bordeaux and further down the coast, are some truly excellent clubs which have opened their fairways during the past five years... Pessac, Gujan Mestras, Arcachon, Seignosse, Moliets.

The long-established Pian-Medoc introduced a second track last autumn. Both are inland links and by no means great courses, but there is a splendid club house and restaurant. Each hole is named after one of the 360 chateaux of the Medoc and every one is represented on the club's wine list. A nice touch, with a three-course lunch for FFr75. When I played there in the spring, not more than a dozen others were out, on both courses.

the new-ish 27 holes of Lacanau. Huge pine trees dominate the fairways and it is always one more club to the green, at least. Here is a good example of the value for money to be found in French golf. The modern, timbered hotel, complete with spacious rooms and swimming pool, provides six nights' half-board and five days' golf, in low season, for about £260. A typical menu when I stayed there offered a choice of entree, poached

salmon or Beef Wellington. Biarritz has two courses in the town and three more nearby, rather heavier on the pocket in this area, but they have bulging memberships and no need to auract so many visitors. Chiberta, smack on the beach, is a giant if the wind is blowing, and if bunker-play is not your force, avoid

To reach the Mediterranean, we must cross country below the mauve mass of the Pyrenees and for history's sake, stop en route at Pau. This is where it all began, the first course in continental Europe, created by the Duke of Wellington's Scottish infantrymen having a spot of r and-r in the Napoleonic wars. Faded portraits of kilted ex-captains set the scene in the club house and it is no rumour that the first French member was not admitted

From St Cyprien, close to the Spanish border, to Cannes and Nice, there is little need to search too hard to find some convenient golf. But if you are touring by car, take care with your valuables — the French have a very big problem with carthieves along their southern coastline.

At Montpellier are the clubs and hotels at Massane and La Grande Motte, an ugly, futuristic, holiday resort, where the young professionals are required to for the European Tour events. Courses in this region were opening at the rate of one a month until this year, and in the Var region of Provence, from one 18hole and one nine-hole course in 1986. there are now 14 courses open or in the building stage.

From St Tropez to St Raphael, hotels fall over themselves to fill their rooms away from high-summer, all along this coast. So before you pay the green fee, always ask if there is an arrangement with a local hostelry. The French expect it and

will respect you for asking.

I have long been surprised that France has taken so long to catch on among the British golfing fraternity who have surrendered to the £50, five-hour rounds further south. Long may that remain, but really and truly, there is plenty of space and France does need our support.

PACKAGED AND READY TO PLAY

 The rapid growth of the game has rendered guide books on golf in France, particularly the few printed in English. virtually out of date as soon as they are published.

But information is not impossible to gather. The French Government Tourist Office at 178 Piccadilly, London WIV OAL, has just published a new brochure. The Golfing

Traveller in France. It also has an information pack, Golf in France, and a road map with every course, location and telephone number, which are updated annually. Write to the tourist office enclosing £1.30 in stamps, plus your address, and it will send all three publications.

 Hoverspeed's SeaCat from Folkestone to Boulogne (0304 240241) takes only 45 minutes, and Le Touquet is barely a half-hour drive if you fancy a few days across the

● P & O Ferries (0304 223000) includes the fare for a car and two passengers, hotel and a choice of golf on four courses in Normandy in its Short Breaks brochure. Other ferry companies also offering golf breaks are Sally Lines (071-355 2266), Sealink Holidays (0233 647033) and Brittany Ferries (0705 751833).

 French Golf Holidays (0277 26 1004) virtually pioneered the long weekend at Hardelot and Le Touquet and has extended to Paris and Bordeaux. Brittany Direct Holidays (081-644 1225) is the expert in Brittany, while Par-Tee Tours (0923 284558) is experienced in providing golf packages to Biarritz.

• Fairways of France (0800 225501) is a fast-growing company with a widespread selection of holidays in many regions, and Eurogolf (0727 42256) features more and more destinations in France every year.

● The most comprehensive programme is offered by Longshot Golf Holidays (0730 68621), which links up with Air France to provide fly-drive holidays.

C'est un fair cop, m'sieur

The first time I came across the word flic was in June 1968. I arrived in Paris too late for the événements: all the barricades had gone. But the walls of the apartment I was staying in were still plastered with radical posters, one bearing the message, "A bas les flics!" ("Down

with flics!") "Qu'est-ce qu'un flic?" 1 asked in all innocence. "Un flic c'est un poulet."

replied Roland, a bearded. double-bass-playing Maoist whose pretty, suicidal wife, Françoise, I was in love with. "Un chicken?" I queried. translating literally.

"Non!" Roland was busy painting a placard at the time. Les flics, ce sont les pigs." Tu veux dire des cochons?"

I imagined this was some subtle allusion to Orwell's Animal Farm.

"Mon Dieu! Un flic dest ce que tu appelles sans doute un agent de police." ("A flic is what you doubtless call a policeman.") It was true: my vocabulary was cravenly bourgeois.

The first time I came across a flic in the flesh was when one asked me: "Vous n'avez pas de feux rouges en Angleterre?" "Don't you have traffic lights in England?")

This question was more than merely academic since I had just gone through one when the feu was rouge. It was some years later and I was out driving with Françoise in her 2CV. She had divorced Roland and married a travelling salesman named Bertrand. Had my French been good enough I might have explained all this to the flic by way of circonstances attenuantes (mitigating circumstances).

"Montrez-moi vos papiers" ("show me your papers"). This is almost the worst phrase a motorist can hear. Particularly if you don't have any. The very worst is: "Vous me suivez au commissariat" ("follow me to the police station"), which is what the flic said next.

I didn't know the French for "It's a fair cop, guv". As a longtime revolutionary Françoise had difficulty grasping this concept, but finally she came up with: "Je me constitue votre

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prisonnier." This is what she would say, she said, if she had just shot her lover and she wanted to surrender to the police. "Mais je ne me livrerais jamais" ("but I would never surrender"). I had to send to England for

my permis de conduire (driving licence) and I was given a FFr 100 amende (fine). But the flic had not only nipped a potential habitual traffic offender in the bud but forestalled a crime passionnel.

ther useful words and expressions include: Défense de stationner - parking prohibited. La pervenche - traffic warden (normally a woman) because of the blue uniform (literally, periwinkle; formerly known in the days of a maroon outfit as une aubergine); officially, une contractuelle.

J'en ai pas pour longremps Envoyez-mol ca Angleterre! (accompanied by a tearing gesture) - send it to

me in England! I recently asked a taxi driver what was the worst thing you could say to another driver, There may have been a degree of self-interest in his answer Tu aurais dû prendre un taxil" ("You ought to have taken a taxi." Note: drivers invariably use the tu form). Among the limited repertoire of polite possibilities, he also suggested "Conducteur de dimanche" (Sunday driver). What was the secret of good driving, I asked him. "C'est la spécialité des anglais — le 'self control'." We say sangfroid, the French say self control.

"La conduite c'est la vic," he added philosophically; "il faut garder son calme." ("Driving is like life — you have to stay

ANDY MARTIN

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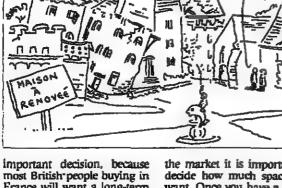
AT HOME

few weeks ago, just outside the small town of Eymet in the southern Dordogne, I visited a former mill which is for sale. It consists of a restored main house with two bedrooms and room for more, a single-storey renovated house with three more bedrooms, a restored barn with water and electricity and more than two acres of land centred on a river tributary and a mill pond. The price is FFr1.350,000

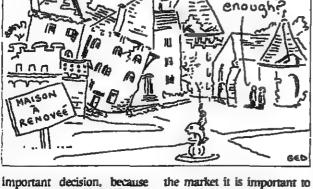
with its equivalent in the UK. But from a British buyer's standpoint, what exactly is such a property for? After location, which I dealt with last week, the question of

(£135.000), which represents

extraordinary value compared



France will want a long-term home, especially if there is a half-formed plan to retire the British may be of moving house within Britain, uprooting from one home to another in France after a year or two in the "wrong" house is not something most of us want to take on.



there one day. However fond Most of the rural property in

what type of house to buy is the most vexed. This is a very mill, but after a brief look at

decide how much space you want. Once you have a house there, you will soon discover more friends than you thought

> having long family holidays at their house in the Loire Valley. They have six bedrooms, but feel they need somewhere

> Newbury accountant who runs an estate agency in Eymet, says the two biggest pitfalls for British buyers are the amount of land they buy and the fact that they will take on too large a task in terms of

restoration. People see that an acre of land here costs perhaps £800 to £1,000 and they think 'Lovely, we'll have some of that'. But, of course, they often have no use for that much land and they have to have it maintained while they aren't

is the largest single problem. Restoration costs here are about the same as they are in England, Labour costs are cheaper but the raw materials costs more, so things balance out. Putting in a bathroom roof is fairly straightforward. but taking on both of those plus re-wiring and new plumbing can become daunting, especially if you are trying to have the work done long

Part of the reason for the disillusion this can cause is impatience: anyone buying a second home in France wants to be able to use it more or less immediately. That is why it is far better to spend a little extra on a house that is habitable but scruffy rather than on one that needs gutting before you can spend a night in it.

So people who look at houses while on holiday need to take a deep breath before committing themselves. Buying in France is very much subject to the law of diminishing returns: there are plenty of cheap houses, but if it costs the same amount again to do them up, do not expect to get your money back for a long time, if ever.

PETER BARNARD **NEXT WEEK: Hidden costs**

On Fridays, The Times/LBC Last-Minute France Hotline is your guide to stop press holiday, travel and rental bargains. On Thursday after 6pm on LBC NEWSTALK (97.3 FM). Angela Rippon in her Drivetime programme will preview the last-minute offers available in Friday's paper.

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CALAIS is most famous, perhaps, for Rodin's bronze statue The Burghers (above), dedicated to the officials who gave themselves as hostages to Edward III of England in 1347 to raise the siege of Calais. Many tourists in the town go in search of burgers of another kind, but discriminating visitors will find plenty of good eating places in Calais. The most satisfactory restaurant is still Le Channel on the seafront Boulevard de la Résistance, an archetypal French dining room down to its red gingham tablecloths. You have to be quick to get in while there is still room, and La Sole Meunière next door just isn't as good. Le Channel's telephone number is 010 33 21 34 42 30, and, except on Sundays and holidays, menus start at FFr85.

Of the Calais hotels the Meurice (010 33 21 34 57 03 40) is

quiet and genteel, in a side street at the sea end of town, with a mixed bag of rooms from FFr260-375. The centrally sited Holiday Inn Garden Court (010 33 21 34 69 69) is new, functional and efficient (FFr380). The Pacary (010 33 21 96 68 00), with standardised rooms at FFr310, and the Métropol' (010 33 21 97 54 00), which charges FFr220-340, are the best of

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The agony or the ecstasy

To be or not to be a mother? That is the question Stephanie Calman can't answer

woman walking along the street sees a handsome man. She thinks about kissing him, then having sex with him. As she walks she imagines a relationship. Then she starts to worry: what if I fall in love with him and we live together, and he leaves me for someone else? She crosses the street and slaps the man across the face. "You bastard!" she cries, and storms away, leaving him baffled. This is a very significant joke for me. It illustrates exactly my fears about having children.

An otherwise functional adult of

31, I am floating in indecision. This is an anxious, occasionally semiconscious state in which I am linked to my imagination by a twisted cord which supplies me with absurd scenarios of my possible future as a

In one, my first child is born with a chronic illness. I give up work to spend all my time worrying and taking it to the hospital, while my boyfriend's career becomes more and more glamorous and remote. Then the second child, jealous of the attention given to the first, gets into various kinds of trouble and has to have slow, expensive therapy. I become depressed and lose my looks, figure and talent. My boyfriend goes off with someone as lively as I used to be. I end up in a documentary about people who chain smoke and live on

At the same time, I have this other fantasy, a classic pessimist's dream: my children are bright and beautiful and have loss of friends, and no allergies or addictions or acne. We all live happily ever after in a house with sunshine permanently pouring through the windows like a commercial for life assurance.

I open my mouth but draw no conclusion. I am suspended in procrastinative fluid.

"It's an extraordinary experience; it changes you for ever," they tell me about motherhood. They say the same about India. But does that mean I have to go and see all those people dying in the streets?

To get a better perspective on this business, I have started doing some research. I watch documentaries about the communication skills of children around the world. I sit in the kitchens of parents I've just met and quiz them about learning development and peer group dynamics. I

read articles on pages like this one. And meanwhile the emotions swell, making a mockery of my intelligence gathering. I identify with the (childless) woman in the Tony Marchant play who wanted - ever so gently to bite a baby's bottom. I watch the school going up the street hand in hand, their little voices babbling, and tears come into my eyes. I ask a mother of toddlers: "How has it changed your life?" And she says, "Well, every surface in the house is

now coated with jam." Right now I have these maternal longings regularly; my boyfriend times them. However, I am freaked out by the biology. An entire person covered in slime bursts out of your intimate regions, and no one thinks it's strange. This is a Stephen King story, isn't it? You can tell me. The people I ask, "How do you do it?" answer: "You just do." I see.

hen I look at some of the people I have known who chose not to become parents, the argument tips way over in favour of away. My parents' friends Sophie and Mike couldn't possibly have their equilibrium upset by children. They have their print collection and their Lancia and their routine, and it all has to be just so. Twenty-five years later, Sophie still mentions the time we went to visit them in Chippenham and i put my sticky hands on her silk

Then there are Emma and Geoff, whose devotions are to exotic holidays and stereo equipment. Dinner there is an audio-visual experience usually featuring a safari and/or slides accompanied by detailed commen-tary. Emma adores wildebeest. She finds children "smelly, mucky things". Geoff doesn't fancy - literally - his wife as a mother. Having flashed a camera at everything east and west of the Nile, he regards breast-feeding as indecent exposure.

Needless to say, I have friends also glad to be childless who are utterly lovely. A couple spring to mind who aren't uptight or obsessional and even have their friends kids to stay. If I thought I could go into my forties with a relationship as strong as theirs it would almost be worth giving up the idea of kids for good. But not



My scrutiny of child-rearing couples only exacerbates the dilemma. On the one hand most derive great pleasure from their children; on the other hand the women give up an awful lot. For the professionally ambitious, reconciling their/our greatest dream with that degree of unselfishness seems an all but insurmountable challenge. My greatest feat of altruism this year was to walk an arthritic woman to the tube station. I can hardly see myself giving up invitations to the movies to stay home and be spattered with egg. If I'm honest, I'm also afraid to encour-

dying for an excuse to get out the dolls' house; if it became addictive I

could lose my place in the world. Encounters with the small people themselves inspire me to extremes of hormone-fuelled ecstasy or homicidal rage. Recently I met a couple whose two-year-old girl is so delightful - placid, cheerful, curious - that I'm inclined to stay away in case I go home and have one of those "accidents" that befall intelligent women when they near the end of childbearing age. The antidote, of course, is an evening — or even ten minutes I'm honest, I'm also afraid to encourage my childish side. Part of me is just olds whose parents believe "Justin

and Gemma instinctually find their own bedtimes", as they lie under the table banging their heads on the

So I'm no further forward. I have made one "decision": to be there when it happens. I can't quite identify with the "can't see what the fuss is about", back-to-the-boardroom mothers who, in the tradition of their great grandmothers, see their babies for about an hour a day. A visit with them suggests the need for an RSPCA-style poster campaign: "A baby isn't just for Christmas: it's for

Surviving in the shallows

Being "thrown in at the deep end" is a recommended introduction to some activities; it cannot be advised for teaching children to swim. You can easily identify even adults who have been terrorised into swimming this way. They use "new hairdo stroke", in which the head is craned out of the water as

though protecting a perm.

For a number of people, swimming is a back-pocket skill: something you keep concealed about your person with your AA card in case of emergencies. Such folk may not have visited a public pool for years. Gone are the slipper baths of vore, where you could hire a piece of soap as well as a towel. Gone, too, are the corridors of dangerous, damp

municipal tiling.
You used to enter the swimming area by way of a chilly footbath, a kind of compulsory disinfectant minestrone, awash with athlete's foot spores and old plasters. Now, to vaulted domes in makesthe-people-happy primary colours, wave machines, disco music, fountains and a slide in

the shape of a frog. Remember those halfdoored wooden cubicles that flanked the pool - women to port, men to starboard where bad boys had poked out the knotting to peer at ladies? Now there are unisex booths and family rooms, where your children's towels and underwear can get muddled up with those of other families.

So, it's in at the shallow end with youl In fact, there does only appear to be a shallow end. So much has been spent on furnishing that there seems little left over for water, and you are pushed to find a stretch of water deep enough to do a length of dignified breaststroke. Not that this will matter when you accompany your children. You don't swim, you just get wet. Your hair will be splashed by the enthusiastic efforts of young swimmers and the water in the "ducking pool" only comes up to your crotch. For those of us brought up on cool pools, the water eems uncomfortably warm. like bath water - someone

else's both water. Other hazards exist. I once remarked to a instructor that the chlorine in the water really stings one's eyes. "It's not the chlorine that stings your eyes ..." he said. And I shall not



DAVINA LLOYD

explain why he was standing at the edge of his under-ones class with what appeared to be

a shrimping net.
As a parent it is difficult to instruct your own children in swimming. Your main func-tion is to hulf up the armbands and respond to a lot of "Watch me, mum," as they jump in from the side or whiz down the water chute.

The best option is to buy qualified instruction for your kids. They can enjoy the benefits of cork floats and inflatable costumes, while someone else teaches them how to turn dog-paddle into Olympic-standard backstroke. Your job is to sew on the badges. First, the beginner's badge, which has a penguin on it and is awarded to anyone who attends the class in a bathing costume. Next, the improver's badge, for anyone who actually gets into the water. Then follow badges for five, ten, 15 metres, all the way up to Crossing the Darda-nelles badge. I wondered at one point that my son could stay afloat, given his trunks were weighted down with so

many badges. Professional lessons fulfil their function. Your children will learn to leap off high boards, collect objects off the bottom as well as any pearl diver, participate synchronised displays and swim safely unaided.

If you want to do the "Watch me mum" bit, you can view proceedings from the overlooking licensed bar which replaces the old slatted speciator benches. And if you want to stay completely dry, become a wimming pool attendant. Wearing extremely brief shorts and flip-flops, they stay bone dry on the sidelines chatting each other up, while the children in the water get on just swimmingly.

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down our child selves while honing our adult narrative skills.

Now there is a new book from America. Storytelling and the Art of the Imagina-

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published June 25), encouraging us to make up stories for both children and adults. Nancy Mellon, the author, identifies the recurring, seductive themes of a good story, and reminds us of the deep satisfaction it can give teller and hearer alike.

I asked nine-year-old Mark what he liked about being told stories. They're magical because after you've read a book, or had it read to you, you know what's going to happen. But a story which is being made up is completely new."

ADRIENNE Katz, the author of many books on parents and children, says: "In making up a story, you place your child's experience centrally: it's totally tailored to their taste and humour." Made-up stories can include special requests: my two-year-old already insists on playing a starring role in my stories, whose heroines must bear her name. Stories like this increasingly become collaborative efforts, with the child eventually becoming confident enough to originate stories itself.

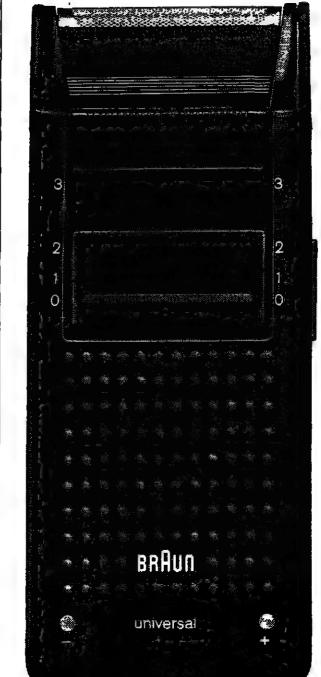
Ms Katz told her children an on-going serial, with new episodes nightly. A giraffe travelled round London in an open-topped bus, ended up in hospital, and was nursed back to health by a four-year-old girl. "One of the most important elements is that the animal has a friend who is obviously your child in disguise. The child is always more resourceful than the adults."

Ms Melion invites storytellers to use old themes and archetypes. Your characters will go on a journey, impelled by a quest or wish. They may suddenly fall (like Alice down the rabbit hole) or rise (magic carpets are handy, flying to the moon is a staple). Mountains will be climbed and lakes traversed, dragons and witches vanquished, woods and castles escaped from. Objects are lost and refound.

Storytelling should not become another "ought", reluctantly but guiltily added to our good parenting list. Says Ms Katz "It's easier than you think - you don't have to be a creative genius to do it."

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MEDIA MOLE

JONATHAN Powell, the controller of BBC1, has long harboured a plan to run the BBC's second favourite homegrown soap. Casualty, twice a week instead of its current once.

Casualty's nine million or so viewers were to be given a second helping of dramatic events as much-needed competition for ITV's The Bill, had Mr Powell's plan gone through. But it did not. The reason has nothing to do with the prime minister, or others at Number 10 Downing Street, despite the rumour circulating at Television Centre. It is thought that the idea was dismissed by John Birt, the BBC's director-general designate, who is believed to want to reposition the corporation more up-market.

Such a difference of approach to BBC soaps has left Mr Powell's friends wondering whether he will be able to stand the pressure at the helm of the BBC's flagship television chan-nel once Mr Birt takes over complete control next year.

WHOOPI Goldberg has aston-ished Hollywood with her power at the box office. Her new film for Disney, Sister Act, a comedy about a nun (played by Goldberg), confounded industry insiders by taking \$28 million in its first 10 days of release in the



Whoopi Goldberg: pulling

Now film industry lore has always had it that a female star could never "open" a picture that is, could never attract a wide audience quickly. Ms Goldberg has proved them wrong; and the other nice thing is that her costar is none other than our own dear Maggie Smith.

CYNICS and sceptics have been dumbfounded. In spite of the sneers which rang round The Groucho Club at its launch, The Oldie magazine is now selling between 35,000 and 37,000 copies a fortnight, after just five months and 10 editions. That is more - dare it be said? - than even its proprietors hoped at a cover price of £1.40.



Richard Ingrams: surprised?

Exactly who is buying the magazine is not quite clear yet, so The Oldie plans to run a small readership survey — in large type, no doubt. Perhaps one eason for the magazine's success is that it has at least one member of staff who is under 60. Emma Soames is the deputy editor or, as editor Richard Ingrams prefers to call her, senior matron.

ATTEMPTS to find a chief executive for the new ITV central scheduling and commissioning unit have not proved quite as easy as some had hoped.

A short list of head-humed

candidates has been drawn up and, so rumour has it, includes James Gatward, former chief executive of TVS, the ITV contractor which lost its franchise. Originally, some ITV manda-rins had hoped to lure Michael Grade away from Channel 4 to run the whole operation; now the job is split in two and no one wants the chief executive post or the aggravation of 15 different ITV bosses. With a question mark over the post, the person to decide exactly what will appear on the ITV, a network director, is unlikely to be found before the end of the year.

GEOFFREY WANSELL

International lampoon

Mad magazine has

been attacking

hypocrisy and hyperbole for 40 years. It is a

sane reaction, says Joseph Connolly

he prominent obituaries devoted to the American publisher, William M. Gaines, earlier this month alerted many to the fact that his most famous creation, Mad magazine, is - 40 years on - still alive and kicking. Maybe not kicking quite so energetically as during the 1960s, when in America each issue sold more than two million copies and the British edition topped 80,000, but sales are still around

half those figures.

There is something so comfortingly dated about Mad that one feels it somehow ought to have petered out sometime in the mid 1970s. Maybe this is its secret — simply refusing to change. The magazine has blazed on, the quality of the artwork (if not always the wit)

remaining high.

Mad truly is, as its slogan runs, number one in a field of one: a humorous magazine which pre-dates Private Eye, out-sold (and outlasted) Punch and makes Viz look crudely produced and ill-drawn. In an age when magazines ritually blame their demise upon declining advertising revenue, Mad has consistently refused any advertising at all: what look like glossy ads for whisky or cigarettes are in fact cruelly accurate lampoons.

Mad was founded more or less by accident: Gaines had been profitably publishing horror comics throughout the 1940s, and probably would have continued to do so had not America suffered one of its periodic fits of puritanism, and they were more or less censored out of business. Gaines and his best cartoonist. Harvey Kurtzman. came up with the idea of a magazine whose initial brief was to satirise the very comics they had been forbidden to produce it was entitled Tales Calculated to Drive You Mad (Humor in a Jugular Vein) and later modified to the snappier Mad. Every icon of American comic book art was mercilously spoofed: Archie, L'il



In a jocular vein: the late William M. Gaines, publisher of Mad, and the debut, in 1956, of Alfred E. Neumann, the magazine's mascot

American

comic book

art was

mercilously

spoofed

Orphan Annie – even Mickey Mouse, who was rechristened Mickey Rodent, and sported possibly the earliest manifestation of designer stubble.

The magazine has hardly altered in appearance since issue 27 (April 1956) featured the gap-toothed, gap-brained, freckled, bat-cared and grinning carrot-headed loony called Alfred E. Neuman. Neuman has appeared on virtually every cover since, playing roles as varied as George Washington, a Teenage Mutant Hero Turtle and an Italian organ grinder (with King Kong as the monkey). Every year, proud children who they imagine resemble him. In 1960, Mad published a widely circulated photograph of a ten-year-old Prince Charles. This elicited a letter on what looked like Buckingham Palace notepaper: "Dear Sirs, no it isn't a bit - not the least little bit like me. So jolly well stow it! See! Charles. P."

The British edition of Mad has been edited and — until last year — published by Ron Letchford since

the mid 1970s. Fleetway Editions now handle publishing and distri-bution but Mr Letchford still oversees everything else. One task is to commission four new covers per year, because in the United States only eight 48-page editions are published annually, whereas here

we have a monthly 32-page issue. One recent British cover Every icon of depicted John Major and the caption 'Congratulations on remaining prime minister - we were with you all the way"; the rear cover showed Nell Kinnock ("Congratulations on becoming prime minister

- we were with you Do Worse. You Always Have!"

"We sometimes substitute British articles," Mr Letchford says, "if

something is just too American." The mainstay of the magazine is the monthly film spoof, although because most box office smashes are so crazy to begin with - Dick Tracy, Hook, Batman — it is getting harder to send them up. Timing too is slipping — a recent

cover featured The Addams Family when the film was already out on vid-eo. "We're making up for that with the August cover," Mr Letchford says. "It features Batman II. and will be on sale six days after the film opens."

Another problem is to persuade W.H. Smith not to place all the way"] — but then Mad was always apolitical: every four years Alfred E. Neuman runs for president under the slogan "You Could audience for Mad?" We don't have one. Bill Gaines was always asked that - he said his target audience

was himself. I receive letters from

professional people - a doctor in Pinner insists on special cardboard stiffeners for his copies because he collects them - and also from 10-

"What~~me worry?"

Mad is published in 14 languages (including Chinese) and editors in each country decide what what to include and how to promote it. "Either the Dutch or Norwegian edition had a condom on the cover recently." Mr Letchford says. "The Mad touch was that it was stapled on." Could it happen here? "I doubt it." On grounds of taste? "To a degree. And Smith's, of course. And the price of condoms."

The magazine is unique and hugely under-rated — it will continue to refuse advertising, and continue to mock the advertisers (although, to date, none has ever sued); it will continue too to lance the hypocrisy and hyperbole within society, the arts and business. It is funny, certainly, but on a deeper level - and it dawns upon you after reading only a very few issues -Mad is truly sane.

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to have more trou-

ble with foreign

travel than democratic lead-

ers. Those who travel are often thought foolhardy, and the media keep a close watch

on developments back at the

ranch. Those who stay at

home when expected abroad

are presumed to be in political trouble.

By contrast, presidents and prime ministers of the

democracies can travel safe

in the knowledge that they will not be pushed out while

they are away. After all, they

are legitimate.

Broadly, these assumptions still seem justified, al-

though the debate continues

over whether Margaret Thatcher would have re-tained office had she not

attended an international

conference in Paris during

Her critics seem to assume

that the press would have

forsworn any suggestion

that, by staying at home, she

was running scared, and that she would have used her

time in London to grub up votes. Neither would have

done any such thing. But

The point is that demo-cratic leaders are gloriously

free to roam the world with-

out fearing for their political

lives. Occasionally, they might even indulge in a little

international adventure to

divert attention from their

domestic problems. Mrs.

Thatcher's second election

victory is attributed to the

Falklands campaign ten

years ago. I have been (ec-

centrically) accused of win-

ning the third for her with

her media triumph in the

International travel is not,

however, without its prob-

lems for democratic leaders,

especially now that technol-

ogy has shrunk the globe.

For one thing, there is far too

much of it. George Bush is in

wenty-five years ago, lead guitarists like Jimi Hendrix and Eric

Clapton acted out an impor-tant male fantasy role, making

sweet music and supposedly having their pick of every

woman in sight. Now Straight

Arrow, the American publish-

er of Rolling Stone, rock's

original counter-culture maga-

zine which developed into a

multi-million dollar publish-

ing phenomenon, has defined

described as a "brother" publi-

cation to Rolling Stone and

Atlantic are discovering that man is a sporting animal. It is

impossible to pick up a men's

magazine in Britain without reading a story on Chris Lewis

(GQ this month) or Gary

Lineker (Esquire's current cova). Next month GQ devotes a

whole issue to sport. For Him

to spin off its Total Sport

sold 70,000 copies at a (Gary

Lineker) cover price of £2.50.

After dabbling with style and

sex, men's general interest

publishers have discovered a

third "s" - sport - to continue

sports features. Its topical for-

titula sells 3.15 million copies

Soviet Union in 1987.

that is by the way.

the Tory leadership election in November 1990.

Getting there is

half the fear

Foreign trips generate good headlines, but political

leaders must mind their backs while they are away

PRESS WATCH

Bernard

Ingham

dulgence. British ministers

are forever on planes to and from the wider Europe.

Those who have never experienced a British presidency

of the EC ain't seen nothing

yet. Summits are two a penny — EC, Nato, ECSC, G7, Commonwealth and en-

least in calvinistic Britain -

to show the folks back home

that you are not just swan-ning around. While civil service rules laid it down in

my day that no serious work

should be done after a long

flight without rest, prime

ministers hit the ground running and undertake

grossly overloaded pro-grammes. They also fly back

overnight, as John Major did on Saturday from Brazil, to save working time or to get

to another engagement. Or just to rub in how diligent

While they are abroad

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between domestic events and

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afternal company systems in a the UK markets, by equaliting the preoccupations of the grown up male rock fan. In the United States it has referenced to the marketing, aimed at men who are "inter-

sted in adventure, participatory sports, travel and fitness."

Suddenly, it seems, publishers on both sides of the N. like as the second of the s presidential and transmitted ago a new glossy sports magazine. Sports Quarterly. was launched by contract with the contract with th

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the momentum in one of the few growing sectors of the periodical market. an principal and a committee of But then Britain has no established general interest sports magazine. One of the more interesting Maxwell launches, the glossy Sportsweek, failed after five months in 1987 - largely the victim of sport's excellent coverage in the national papers. in the US the situation is different. There are no natinnal papers and 38-year-old Sports Illustrated, owned by Time-Warner, sweeps the board in publishing general

a week. In mid-July, begin-ning with an Olympic preview issue, it will test market in Britain, where for ten weeks, 80,000 copies of the magazine will be available on newstands. One only has to see

realise it is a men's magazine. Men's Journal has to offer its readers something different team games as on macho



against the elements. Mens's Journal editor John Rasmus says he is trying to produce a magazine "relevant to a generation which grew up with Rolling Stone". His readers are expected to get the same kicks from white-water rafting or potholing as from listening to the Rolling Stones at

Altamont. Currently published quar-terly, Men's Journal plans to go monthly next year when, according to circulation director Howard Katz, it is also likely to be distributed in Britain. So successful proved the first issue, carrying a May-June dateline, that the initial 135,000 copies sold out, and an extra 65,000 have been printed. This highly professional production combines the best of Rolling Stone's presentation with articles by fashionable writers now dis-

The mice will play when the cat's away. but it is a poor prime minister who cannot win easy headlines back home about his long distant crushing of dissent or even of revolts-that-never-were. Hence last Thursday "Major calls Cabinet doubters to heel" (The Daily Telegraph);
"Major reads the riot act"
(Daily Mail); "Euro-sceptic ministers forced to back PM" (The Guardian): and "Major cools down Euro-backed turmoil" (Daily Ex-

Satellite communications

mean that film of his reac-

tion is immediately bounced

back home, whereas in the early 1980s I was still em-

ployed as a courier by the BBC and ITN to carry film

cassettes back to Heathrow.

Consequently, some domes-tic events can dominate cov-

erage of a foreign tour - as

last week's entirely under-

standable ministerial handwringing over Maastricht disturbed Mr Major's prog-

Securing such macho covrage was like taking candy from a baby when Mrs Thatcher swung her handbag in foreign parts. But it did not dispose of the prob-lem. After Nigel Lawson, Nicholas Ridley and Sir Geoffrey Howe had departed over Europe, Mrs Thatcher came to wonder who would resign when she next landed at Heathrow. It turned out to be herself.
John Major is light years

away from such traumas. Which brings me back to dictators. They lead a simple life when in doubt, don't travel. For leaders of democracies, getting through a day abroad is much more complicated. "Supporters" and journalists make sure their political security is less than comfortable, as Mr Major can testify. The EC will dog his travels this year, and for a

Right off the peaten track

Men's Journal is hoping that its readers will take a serious interest in adventure and sport, rather than sitting back in their armchairs and reading about it

> Sports Illustrated's soughtafter annual swimsuit issue to if it wants to carve out a sporting niche in North America. It has done that by striding unashamedly into Robert Bly's "Iron John" territory concentrating not so much on endeavours where the male of the species can test his mettle

Men's Journal: first issue

covering the great outdoors — PJ O'Rourke goes deep-sea fishing 18 miles off the Florida coast, with an anti-seasickness patch taped behind his ear. One of the features of the magazine is a service element. informing readers not only where to kayak, but what equipment and clothing are

"What do men really want?" Mr Rasmus and editor-inchief Jann Wenner ask rhetorically in their joint editorial in the first issue. We think they want to climb a few mountains, build the house of their dreams, have a first serve and perhaps play a few memorable rounds of golf with their

Mr Wenner has committed two years and \$10 million in capital to developing the magazine he wants. It is all a far cry from the early days of Rolling Stone in San Francisco; 5.000 copies of the first issue were sold. An early promotion was a clip for smoking marijuana. But as the love generation grew older and richer. Rolling Stone became a prime medium for advertisers. After a dip in the early 1980s, it now sells 1.2 million copies each fort-night, contributing revenue of \$110 million a year to Mr Wenner's privately owned Straight Arrow Publishers. According to the Wall Street Journal, it is one of the most profitable titles in the magazine industry. Straight Arrow also publishes one other title. The Entertainment Magazine.

Can Men's Journal add to the Wenner fortunes? It depends on how much Rolling Stone readers are willing to get off their collective backside and discover the joys of - two more features from the first issue - attack tennis and dimbing the Eiger. Michael Ver Meulen, editor of GQ in Britain, is not convinced. He brackets Men's Journal with Britain's Granta - both aimed at the armchair adventurer. But then Woodstock man has to have something to

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feed his fantasy life.

Too popular to be good?

Radios 1 and 2 are under attack. but fighting back. Melinda

Wittstock asks their leaders for

the reasons

think-tank fires off a missive on the future of the BBC, Radios 1 and 2 are always among the first targets. Their proposed fate? To bite one of three different bullets: advertising, privatisation or closure.

Those who would resort to such measures cannot fathorn why the BBC should spend licence money on broadcast-ing the endless diet of pop hits. easy listening and inane DJ-speak to be found on just about every commercial station in the country.

The controllers of Radio 1

and Radio 2, however, wonder how the opinion-formers can arrive at their conclusions without having listened to either station. "They all listen to Radios 3 and 4 and don't hear what Radios 1 and 2 are broadcasting," says Francis Line, controller of Radio 2. "They just don't realise how distinctive we are from the commercial stations."

Johnny Beerling, the con-troller of Radio 1, says: "Ir's just typical of people, even some in the BBC, who haven't listened to the network in 20 years. Radio I has changed enormously, it fulfils a public service every bit as much as Radio 3 in backing new musicians, broadcasting live concerts and producing documentaries.

As both stations approach their 25th anniversaries, on September 30, and the government prepares its green paper on the future of the BBC, the controllers are determined to get their message across to those who otherwise would not listen. The networks have separately appointed an advertising agency, Ark, to devise campaigns that will win over the sceptics. Radio 1 and Radio 2 will each devote just 3 per cent of their respective annual budgets of £31 million and £48 million to advertising.

From September, readers of The Economist, The Spectator and quality newspapers expect a few public service messages from Radio I. "Why should people who like rock and pop have commercials forced on them any more than people who like classical music or talk radio?" Mr Beerling says. Radio 2, which is seen as

being the more vulnerable of the two, if only because Marmaduke Hussey, the BBC chairman, is said to be a critic, plans a much less subtle approach. "We need to get on to rooftops and shout about what we do," Ms Line says. 'Until now we've been remiss in selling ourselves. Our listeners know we perform an important public service, providing news, social action programmes, documentaries, live concerts and music patronage that our commercial rivals cannot rival; but the politicians who will decide our future don't. We have to get our message across, and loudly. Even on the backs of buses."

Arguments over the respec-

he next generation of television reporter is

about to arrive on the

streets of New York. Working

alone, these high-tech, low

cost correspondents will wield

video cameras with the same

ease that print journalists han-

dle their notebooks. Once they

have finished shooting and

reporting the story, they will

return to base and may even

Time-Warner, the world's

largest media company, this

week began training 20 such

"video journalists" in prepara-

tion for the launch of a 24-

hour CNN-style local news

cable channel in New York

Already, executives at CNN

and the main television net-

works are taking an interest,

and union officials are criticis-

ing the non-union operation.

But there is general agreement

that, whether it is desirable or

not, Time-Warner's experi-

ment could chart the future of

The Hi-8 video format — as

opposed to the traditional Beta

format now used by almost all

television stations - has been

used by American corpora-

tions for several years to make

in-house videos. But it was

only the use of smaller, cheap-

er Hi-8 cameras during the Guif War which proved that

the format could be used

City in September.

edit the piece themselves.

'Why should people who like rock and pop have commercials forced on them any more than people who like classical music or talk radio?' Johnny Beerling

tive futures of Radios 1 and 2 are at the centre of the debate about public service broadcasting. No other BBC service inspires such sharp disagreement between those who believe the BBC should provide only what others cannot and those who believe the BBC should provide something for everyone. The former view has it that the BBC should abandon pop music; the more populist outlook is that Radios I and 2 - with respective audiences of 15 million and 9 million a week - are as much a part of the public service ethos as Radio 4. Radio 1 recently asked Tony

Birmineham's Buzz FM and one of the founders of Piccadilly Radio in Manchester, to draw up a business plan for the network were it to be privatised and funded by advertising and sponsorship. A commercial Radio 1, he said, would survive as a profitable station only if it reduced news to "rip and read" headlines, cut out live concerts, drastically reduced session time given over to new musicians, replaced all producers with a computer-controlled playlist, played more Top 40 hits and broadcast documentaries and social action programmes only

if they were sponsored. Mr Ingham's findings speak volumes about the wide gulf between Radio I and local commercial rivals, as well as anything the second national commercial station, to be launched early next year by Virgin and TV-am. is likely to

Ingham, station manager of

Radio I does much that the

independents cannot financially sustain: 1,000 hours of studio time is devoted each year to recording new bands; 4,000 hours a year is given over to live concerns; there are six social action campaigns on issues ranging from racism to suicide and sexuality; and an annual ration of more than 100 hours of documentaries. The station says it also broadcasts a broader range of music than its competition, playing 1.400 different songs each week, compared to the commercial stations's 300 to 400.

The commercial stations just follow the record sales charts but we lead the charts, breaking new ground by being the first to play a band, sometimes before it has even signed with a record company," Mr Beerling says. aurice Ober-

stein. chairman and chief executive PolyGram Records, recently told Mr Beerling that the British recording industry was healthier than its American counterpart "because of the continued support Radio 1 has given to new up-andcoming bands via the studio sessions and broadcasts in the John Peel, Mark Goodier and Tommy Vance programmes".

Dennis Scard, general sec-retary of the Musicians Union, says Radio I's patronage of new artists has extended the range of music available to the population, and made the network a "cornerstone of public service broadcasting". Charter for the 1990s, a

BBC report on Radio 1's



Our listeners know we perform a public service, but the politicians who will decide our future do not'

Francis Line

future, gave a warning that two-thirds of Radio 1's audience would desert it if it dropped pop hits, and recommended that the network build on its strength by "moving to the higher ground" with a still-broader mix of music, more discussion and documentary programmes, a perand even more live concerts. Mr Beerling has made moves in that direction, announcing plans for more "serious" disc jockeys, more comedy and more debate

Radio 2, which has seen its audience drop by 5 per cent in five years and is more vulnerable to competition from local 'golden oldies" stations as well as the new Classic FM national station, to be launched this autumn, deploys similar arguments in its favour. In a BBC document called Serving the Public, Ms Line argues that her rivals could not hope to match Radio 2's arts, social action and religious output, as well as its E8 million-a-year live music budget and patronage of the BBC Big Band and BBC Concert Orchestra. She adds that the station's news coverage often rivals that of Radio 4. "On the day of the Whitehall bomb in January, our 10am, 11am and noon summaries were all extended to bring reports from the scene, eyewitness accounts, assessments and reactions. Radio 4, by contrast, was able to accommodate only one brief newsflash and a 30-second

expansion of one summary

for anyone dismissing Radio 2

during the same time span."

surfeit of Mantovani and Johnny Mathis. "Radio 2 is not just middle of the road music," she says. "It is about jazz, folk, big bands and even some classical."

efending the easylistening part of Radio 2's output. Ms Line says: "If we accept that public service radio is for the totality of licence fee payers and not just for minorities, then it follows that Radio 2 must be a provider of popular music. Otherwise, by the end of the century, BBC Radio would be marginalised into specific areas with an audience share of a few per cent. While the function of commercial radio is to deliver audiences to its advertisers, the purpose of Radio 2 is to serve its listeners."

However, efforts to woo a younger audience earlier this year, with format changes including a drastic reduction in the number of pre-1950s songs, seem to have alienated a lot of loyal listeners without attracting many new ones.

The debate about Radios 1 and 2, indeed the very survival of the BBC as its royal charter comes up for renewal in 1996. will run for the next two to three years. As both networks plan their silver anniversaries. and Radio 2 conducts the biggest outside broadcast in radio history, transmitting 15 hours of live music from 33 locations on June 28 for National Music Day, Ms Line and Mr Beerling will both be hoping that the government is

A new age of video reportage

Television journalists will use video cameras to film their own reports from September, when Time-Warner

launches its local news cable station in New York successfully for television too. looking through the viewfindschool sports teams.

"In certain poor lighting conditions, you can see the difference," admits Paul Sagan, the head of the new channel. "But the viewer won't

At some television stations, such as the CBS-affiliate station in New York where Mr Sagan used to work as news director, news crews sometimes include as many as four

people, with a reporter, cam-

eraman, soundman and field

producer. But the new channel

will change all that. Each

video journalist will be

equipped with two bags; one

containing a Sony Hi-8 video

camera and the other filled

with accessories, such as lights

to mount on the camera, a

tripod and a tiny video

porter will also film the subject with the video camera, either

When interviewing, the re-

er or watching the shot on a monitor on his lap. Cutaway shots showing the interview-er's face can be added afterwards. The video journalist will then return to the newsroom where his Hi-8 tape will be upgraded to Beta to maximise quality. The reporter-cameraman will work with a professional editor to edit his story, preparing it for inclu-

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Rumoured to cost \$8-\$10

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Many media experts see such all-news channels as part of a general move towards niche-marketing, made possible by cable television. They predict that every major city in the country will have its own 24-hour local news station by the end of the decade.

So far. however, only one other all-news channel in the United States, the Orange

fornia, routinely uses Hi-8

technology. But the station, serving the prosperous sub-

urbs between Los Angeles and

San Diego, still employs cam-

eramen along with reporters.

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Mr Sagan says that his

"People will see a superior news product here." he says. "We will be able to get away from simply ripping stories out of the newspapers. We will he able to break more stories."

While other local news outfits in New York have to cater to an audience that lives far beyond the city's boundaries because their broadcast licences compel them to serve the whole of New York state. New Jersey and Connecticut. Time-Warner's cable channel will be able to concentrate on the city alone.

Mr Sagan says he plans to appoint the only full-time tele-vision correspondent covering Staten Island, the smallest of New York City's five horoughs, and assign another video journalist to cover mass transit, a specialist post achieved by only one of New York's four daily newspapers.

As the country's second largest cable television operator, Time-Warner will be able to guarantee the new channel immediate access to some 850,000 homes across the city - an access wide enough to provoke apprehension in local

newspapers and radio stations as well as rival television

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Partners in progress

igh-flying graduates aged up to 28, and with a good degree in a specified subject, can put themselves on the fast track to successful careers in industry and business by joining the Teaching Company Scheme (TCS).

The TCS sets up and runs partnerships between industry and academic centres, linked by one or more graduate "associates". They spend two years working in a company on projects vital to its future but beyond its present resources. The company draws on the expertise, knowledge and skill not only of the associates but also of the academic centre. The learn marks the 1000th associates his year marks the 1,000th successful placement.

In addition to gaining valuable experience and training from this government-sponsored scheme, the associate is well placed to start a successful career; at the end of the two-year scheme, many associates are appointed to middle management and a good proportion achieve senior management early.

TCS has now been extended beyond the original areas of science and technology, to include industrial design, business, marketing and psychology. "Technology alone is too narrow," Dr Ed Robson, the TCS director, says. "All business subjects must be looked at, including selling, marketing and design."

Plymouth Business School, for example, is selecting its first associates in marketing. One will be employed by a small firm making Sally Watts describes a scheme giving graduates a head start in business

kitchen cabinets, which until now have been built into homes put up by leading house builders: but the recession means the company is looking to enter the retail trade.

A second associate will join a firm making research instruments: this has obtained much of its business from exhibitions, but now needs a roper marketing strategy.

"Associates will enhance their career, and their CV, by being involved - not just as sales reps, but in devising and implementing marketing strategy." says Jim Pearce, senior lecturer in business operations. "Marketing is an essential innovation for the south-west. Many small firms don't know how to market themselves." David Clark was one of the TC's

first marketing associates. He took a BSc Hons at Aston University in business with a marketing option and, at 28, has just completed his work for Incastec Associates, a marine electronics company at Ringwood, Hampshire. The firm also employed an engineering asso-ciate — "two excellent post-gradu-ates", according to Harold Whitfield, the managing director.

Mr Clark's role was to establish a marketing function. He worked with distributors, assessed company needs and marketed the products, with guidance from a Bournemouth Polytechnic marketing specialist. In addition, he has developed the company's management information systems.

Although 65 per cent of associates are offered permanent jobs, this may be less likely with a small company or in a recession. Mr Clark, now job-hunting from his home at Newcastle-under-Lyme. says: "In realistic conditions, a TCS programme will stand you in good stead for a job. You are given more experience and involvement than in most jobs, and greater responsihility is thrust upon you quickly."

Durham University Business School has also developed a marketing liaison with the TC. It has been working with smaller firms keen to trade with Europe, but daunted by the export process, so Bill Ferguson, director of DUBS international business group, felt it would help to "put in a pair of

Jenny Morgan, an early asso-ciate in the scheme, is a Keele graduate in French and psychology (a specialism with increasing industrial uses). Four years ago, she joined Canford Audio, at Washington, Tyne and Wear. Her remit was first, to take her

firm into France and second, to establish an export marketing de-partment. The first she achieved by

examining the various options — joint venture, agency and so on — then setting up a sales and servicing company at Strasbourg; today it has a £350,000 turnover. The home-based export marketing department, started in 1988, now has

When Miss Morgan's associateship ended, she became marketing manager. The company then took on a second associate, Anne Tattersall, to create an outlet in Germany; this will open in November. Miss Tattersall, aged 25, has a European business degree with marketing. and a German diploma in business studies. She is now Canford Audio's marketing executive.

The two women have seen the company's export turnover increase from 2 to 20 per cent. Both have passed the Institute of Export exams, and Miss Morgan, 28, has also passed those of the Institute of Marketing. "The programme en-abled us to recruit high-calibre graduates and we have benefitted from the very close tie-up with DUBS," says Hugh Morgan Williams, the company chairman.

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9.30 Boys From the Bush. Comedy drama series written by Douglas Livingstone about two west London men who set up a detective agency in Melbourne. Starring Tim Healy and Chris Haywood. (Ceefax) (s) (682887)

10.20 Film 92 from Los Angeles with Barry Norman. in the last of the series Barry Norman is in Los Angeles to preview the releases to be seen in Britain during the summer including Lethal Weapon 3, Batman Returns and Alien 3 (s) (748177). Northern Ireland: The

Ulster Orchestra in Concert 10.55 More Than a Game. CHOICE: Tonight's film quotes George Orwell to the effect that sport is war minus the shooting. There is no lack of supporting evidence. We see Gazza's dreadful foul in the 1991 FA Cup final and a vicious brawl on the international rugby union field. We are treated to the nastier side of cricket, tennis, soccer and American football. Nice guys, such as Gary Lineker and Jack Nicklaus, are presented as exceptions that prove the rule, and a generous gesture by a rival which enabled two Britons to win the Olympic bobsleigh isoffered as an example of what would not happen now. Only got seems to have escaped the descent into violence and cynicism. Television is blamed, for highlighting thuggery and giving youngsters something to copy. It is also praised, for catching things that referees miss (817326). Northern Ireland: (11.05) Film 92 11.40

More Than a Game 11.45 Royal Ascot. Highlights of the opening day (s) (310968) 12.05am Weather (5994123). Ends at 12.10, Northern Ireland: 12.30am-12.50 Royal Ascot

2.15 BBC Select: Executive Business Club (74949). Ends at 2.45

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5.30 Gardeners' World. Liz Rigbey talks to gardening author and photographer Andrew Lawson about the programme' Garden in

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7.45 Assignment: Miracle Man. Hugh O'Shaughnessy profiles Carlos Menern, the Argentine president, who, when elected, was thought by outside observers to be another nine-day-wonder, only for their doubts to be dissipated by his tackling of the economy and his working for peace with Britain (829974)

8.30 Red Dwarf IV. Science-fiction comedy series about an indolent

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9.00 Quantum Leap. Scott Bakula stars as the time-trapped scientist in this off-beat science fiction series. This week he goes back to Christmas Eve 1952 to help a millionaire shed his Scrooge-like ways. (Ceefax) (s) (847351)



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9.50 Town Hall.

 CHOICE: The bad news for Lewisham council in south London is that the education budget is £5 million overspent. Teachers account for the bulk of costs and it looks as though jobs will have to go. Angry school governors accuse Leisha Fullick, the director of education, of losing control and suggest that her job should go. Behind closed doors Terry Hanafin, the council's chief executive, calls for cool heads and everyone pulling together. As if all this was not enough, the council is awaiting a visit from Michael Heseltine. An eight-part inside view of local government by Charles Stewart and Malcolm Hirst, Town Hall is off to a busy start and there is plenty of drama to come. On the evidence of tonight's instalment it promises to be an eye-opening series, getting the camera to the heart of the political process and sparing no one's blushes (Ceefax) (767697)

10.30 Newsnight with Jeremy Parman (895719) 11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine (s) (492326) 11.55 Weather (564852)

12.00 Open University: Open Forum — Choosing Which Subjects to Read at University (66340). Ends at 12.30am

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6.00 TV-am (1739351) 9.25 Cross Wits. Crossword quiz game hosted by Tom O'Connor (6305158) 9.55 Thames News (1952055)

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10.00 Out of this World. American comedy (1 (68974)
10.30 This Morning. Magazine Series (48118500)
12.10 Treasure Box. Early learning series (7019891)
12.30 Lunchtime News with Nicholas Owen and Sonia Ruseler. (Oracle)
Weather (6411603) 1.10 Thames News (62876142)

1.20 Home and Away (Oracle) (18011887) 1.50 A Country Practice (s) (68900142) 2.20 The Full Treatment. This week — a look at habits and how to change them (97053974) 2.50 Families (7513332)

3.15 ITN News headlines (9053351) 3.20 Thames (9050264) 3.25 The Young Doctors (3874697) 3.55 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. Animation (4712784) 4.05 Disney's Duck Tales (4393448) 4.30 Time Riders. Children's science fiction senal (r). (Oracle) (210) 5.00 Cartoon Time

5.10 Blockbusters. Quiz for teenagers. With Bob Holness (3297054)
5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather (529719)
5.55 Thames Help (r) (266806) 6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (603)
6.30 Thames News. (Oracle) (555)

7.00 Emmerdale, Drama serial set in the Yorkshire Dales. (Oracle) (7871)
7.30 The Full Treatment. Shown at 2.20 (239)
8.00 The Bill: Do the Right Thing. After he is mugged on the way to work PC String reels foolish but is determined to find and arrest his attackers. Stamng Jonathan Dow. (Oracle) (6719)
8.30 The Comedians. A shown as for Rifain's new comics (2326)



Fast foodies: Billie Whitelaw and Madhur Jaffrey (9.00pm)

9.00 Firm Friends.

OCHOICE: The friends of Lou Wakefield's four-part drama set in the North East are Rose (Billie Whitelaw) and Jayshee (Madhur Jaffrey), her deaning woman. Rose is a well-heeled suburban housewife whose husband (Derek Foulds) suddenly abandons her with only £2,000 in the bank. Jayshree's husband is a cab driver with a dodgy car and they have fallen behind with the mortgage. As they struggle to make ends meet, the two women decide to join forces in a fast food business. Firm Friends is part comedy, part social drama, with an implicit feminist message about women coping in adversity and a determination to give sympathetic treatment to the British Asian community. If everyone seems a little too good to be true (some of the male characters excepted), there

are hints of more disturbing times ahead (Oracle) (9581)

10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Nicholas Owen. (Oracle)
Weather (22055) 10.30 Thames News (458887)

10.40 7 Up — Japan.

● CHOICE: Granada Television's ambitious documentary project which has already taken in Britain, the United States and the former which has already taken in birtain, the United States and the former Soviet Union now moves to Japan. The format is unchanged. Seven-year-olds, chosen from a spread of backgrounds, are enticed before the cameras and invited to talk about their families, their likes and dislikes, their hopes and their ambitions. They will be interviewed again at seven-yearly intervals. These Japanese children emerge as a notably articulate bunch, often appealing and cheeky with it, and able to field questions that would floor people several times their age. Perhaps a cast of 12 is too big to keep tabs on but there is much poord material. Reassuringly the majority of kirls rule cut another good material. Reassuringly the majority of kids rule out anothe war, though if one does come they see the enemy, as before, as the United States. (Oracle) (544968)

11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H. More caged women drama (823887)
12.30am Video View presented by Mariella Frostrup (39920)
1.30 The Equalizer. Edward Woodward stars as McCall, the ageing

avenger, in this adventure on the trail of missing information that the KGB are interested in (r) (98217)

2.30 Donahue. A discussion on buff bathing (3957678)

3.30 60 Minutes. American news magazine (13765)

4.30 The Gold Bug. A drama about a boy's search for Captain Kidd's

buried treasure (30456) 5.30 ITN Morning News with Tim Nellson (94123). Ends at 6.00

6.00 Channel 4 Daily (1737993) 9.25 Schools (84881500)

12.00 The Parliament Progra ne presented by Anne Perkins (29968) 12.30 Business Daily. News and analysis from the world's financial centres (44719)

CHANNEL 4

1.00 Sesame Street. Entertaining pre-school learning series (r) (32974)
2.00 Film: Happy Landing (1938, b/w) starring Sonja Henie and Cesar Romero. Musical cornecty about a young Norwegian woman who follows a caddish bandleader to America under the impression that they were engaged. Directed by Roy Del Ruth (909245)
3.55 Subway. Animation backed by music from the Clash (4202142)

4.00 The Food File, Drew Smith investigates how the rise of synthetic flavours has eroded the appreciation of natural tastes (r). (Teletext)

4.30 Fifteen to One. Fast-moving knock-out general knowledge quiz

presented by William G. Stewart (852)
5.00 Pushing The Limits: A Breath of White Water. Two Britons and two Americans tackle Idaho's white water rivers (r) (8177) 5.30 Beat That. Youngsters tackle challenges set by Mik Scarlet (332)

6.00 Treasure Hunt. Annabel Croft scours the beautiful Peak District in her search for hidden treasure, Last in the series (r) (49210) 7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (890581) 7.50 Comment (155806)

8.00 Borderlands. The first of a new series of six programmes about regions of Europe affected by economic and political change, told through the words and experiences of border people thems beginning with the citizens of Catalonia in north-east Spain.

8.36 Fat Man In Argentina. On the final leg of his journey Tom Vernon, the colossus of roads, cycles through Patagonia (r). (Teletext) (3528)
 9.00 Rear Window: Cities of Salt. The international arts series continues with a profile of Arab writer Abdulrahman Munif, author of Cities of Salt, a series of five linked novels on the effects of the

discovery of oil on the Arab world (107245) 9.45 Short and Curlies: The Kitchen Child. The odours from a kitchen smell prove irresistible for a French duke and his valet. Staming Paul Brooke (r) (590974)



Stepping out: Maurice Godin with Kate Nelligan (10.00pm)

10.00 Film: White Room (1990) starring Maurice Godin, Kate Nelligan, Margot Kidder and Sheila McCarthy. The Cinema Canada season continues with this chilling drama about the relationship between a voyeur who witnesses a murder and three disparate women. Directed by Patricia Rozema. (Teletext) (414239)

11.45 Empty Nest. Comedy series starring Richard Mulligan as a widowed medical man. With a guest appearance by Golden Girl

Rue McClanahan (s) (742622)

12.15am The Schoenberg Cycle. The last in the series focuses on the Schoenberg Quarter's tutor, violinist Eugene Lehner (s) (538433)

1.15 Film: Crime Over London (1936, b/w) starring Basil Sydney as a Chicago gangster who arrives in London with his mob, intending to rob a department store. Directed by Alfred Zeisler (1158901). Ends

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 News on the hour.
 £.00am Surrise (2291142) 9.30 Nightime (79429) 10.00 Dayline (39512) 10.30 Beyond 2000 (42528) 11.30 Japan Business Today (4599719) 11.45 International Business Report (1353413) 12.30pm Good Moming America (42564) 1.30 Good Moming America (42564) 1.30 Good Moming America (92023) 2.30 Parliament Live (7567516) 3.15 Parliament Live (2662622) 4.30 Beyond 2000 (2264) 5.00 Live at Fire (70413) 4.30 Newsdine (84413) 8.30 Tamest (70413) 6.30 Newsline (84413) 8.30 Target (19697) 10.30 Newsline (42245) 11.30 ABC News (31697) 12.30am Newsline (75746) 1.30 ABC News (46543) 2.30 Target (44746) 3.30 ABC News (49291) 4.30 Beyond 2000 (7000024) 5.30 Newsline (23659)

SKY MOVIES+

© Vio the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. 6.00am Showcase (3570887) 10.00 The Preshman (1990); Matthew Broderick plays the new boy in town (86719)

12.00 The Candidate (1972): Robert Redford learns about politics (19622) 2.00pm She'll Take Romanos (1990): Linda Euris chooses a romantic man (1832) 4.00 Do Me a Reviour, Don't Vete for Mom (1973): A young boy wants his mother to stay at home (26564) 5.00 The Fourth Man (1990): A son hurs to seroids to impress his father (6784) 6.00 The Preshmant (as 10am) (20213177) 8.00 Burnip in the Might (1991): A young boy is kidnapped by a pederast (37413) 10.00 Hand to Kill (1990): A policeman seeks revenge (219671)

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THE MOVIE CHANNEL

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L15am Little Miss Marker (1980): A small girl is left as surety (909535)
L15 Robby the Rascal (1985): Aremated adventure with a robot (597891)
10.15 Whoopeel (1930): Musical (930577)
12.15pm B.L. Stryber — Night Train (1990): Protecting a young grid (276239)
2.15 Challenge to be Free (1974): A young fur-rapper is pursued by the law (52503)
4.15 Golden Penniss 11982): Two families search for a better life (24488790)
6.05 The China Syndrome (1979): Jane Fonda uncovers a nuclear accident (20121142)
8.15 in Defence of a Married Man (1990): A woman defends her husband (44165121)

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10.05 Hawana (1990): Robert Redford as a gambler caught in a revolution (161610)
12.30am Triumph of the Spirit (1969): An Auschwitz prisoner learns to box (81307)
2.30 The Rose Garden (1989): A man is accused of being a Naci (600388)
4.25 Demon Seed (1977): Julie Christie is trapped at home (9654765). Ends at \$.55am

THE COMEDY CHANNEL

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4.00pm Mr Ed (4952) 4.30 Purky Brewster (6264) 5.00 Green Acres (5121) 5.30 The New Leave it to Bearer (7516 6.00 Mr Betvedere (4429) 6.30 Three's Company (5581) 7.00 F Troop (7867) 7.30 McNale's Navy (7993) 8.00 Are You Being Served? (6535) 8.30 Night Court (2142) 9.00 Nogar's Heroes (63322) 9.30 Mr Betvedere (69177) 70.00 Guys 'N' Dolls (38719) 10.30 McNale's Navy (41239) SKY SPORTS

8 Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. 6.30am Morrang Stretch (59210) 7.00 Super Trax (66662) 8.00 Motor World (83245) 8.30

WBF Body Stars (82516) 9.00 Morning Stretch (13528) 9.30 Motorcycling Grand Prix (76887) 11.30 Morning Stretch (26887) 12.00 British Rugby League Test Tour (400332) 2.30pm Gillette World Sports Special (1790) 3.00 Stella Artois Tennis (73697) 5.00 Super Trax (1448) 6.00 American Sports Cavalcade (13974) 7.00 Muscle Night (68351) 8.00 Watersports (71871) 9.00 The Footballit's Football Show (54158) 11.00 Isle of Mari TT (93697) 12.00-2.00arm Motorcycling Grand Prix (21388)

O Via the Astra satellite. 8.00em Ternis ATP Tour (16149) 9.00 European Football Championships: Nether ands v CIS (88968); 10.30 Scotland (lands v CIS (88968); 10.30 Soxiand v Germany (40581) 12.00 Tennis ATP Tour 1288332) 3.00pen Motorcycling Grand Prix (56993) 5.00 European Football Championships: Nerherlands v CIS (16239); 6.30 Soxiand v Germany (13581) 8.00 Olympics (6993) 8.30 News (2500) 9.00 Kick Boxing (59603) 10.00-12.00 Formula 1 Grand Prix (41142)

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7.08am Eurobics (83719) 7.30 Termis (73156) 8.30 Squash Championships (71582) 9.30 Indy Car World Series (64351) 10.30 Eurobics (93622) 11.00 Indoor Soccer (71974) 12.00 Volleyball (15332) 1.80pm Powersports (28852) 2.00 Eurobics (9503) 2.30 Darnong (47897) 3.30 US Pro Boung (78535) S.00 Volvo PGA European Tour 1992 (2790) 6.00 Durstop Rower GTi Championship (7531) 6.30 Longhude (8413) 2.00 Pro Superbike (3149) 7.30 Go — Motorsport (53806) 8.30 Pro Box (46719) 10.30-12.30am World Snooker Classics (35500) LIFESTYLE

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(569210) 1.15 The Joan Rivers Show
(302845) 2.05 Rafferry's Rules (1320210)

3.05 Sell-a-Vision (4267448) 3.30 Fashion

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(508968) 5.00 Sally Jessy Raphael (8351)

5.30 Sell-a-Vision (5516) 6.00 Remington
Steele (33784) 7.00 Sell-a-Vision (396852)

10.00 Music Videos (6327974) 2.00-3.00am

Last Dance (26630)

Op 11 No 3: Smithsonian Chamber Players, Sonata in C, Op 5 No 2: Franco Angelen, tortepiamo, Ennco Gatti, violin; Harpsichord Concerto in E flat: Eckart Sellheim, Collegium

FM Stereo and NWW. 4.00am Bruno Brookes with the Early Breakfast Show (FM only) 6.00 Smon Mayos 9.00 Simon Bares 12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45 Jakka Brambles 3.00 Steve Wright in the Afternoon 6.00 Mark Goodler's Mean't Bop To It... Bombsville! Part three of a lour part biography, presented by Micky Campbell (r) 10.00 Nicky Campbell Goes into the Night 12.00-4.00am Bob Hams (FM only)

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RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour until 7.00pm.
6.00am World Sensor: Newshour 6.30 Danny
Baker's Morrang Edition 9.00 For Schools See
For Yourself; 9.15 First Steps in Drama; 9.35 Wordplay; 9.45 Singing Together; 10.05 Time to
Move 10.25 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 10.40 Johnnie Walker with the AM Alternative 12.30pm in House,
with Tony Williams 1.00 News Update 1.15 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 (f) 1.30 Royal Associ, with Eleanor
Oldroyd. The first day's racing with commentary by Peter Bromley; 2.30 Queen Anne Sales;
3.05 Prince of Wales Stakes, 3.45 5¢ James's Palace Stakes, 4.20 Covernity Stakes, 5.00 Five
Anne 8.00 Royald 8.13 The Olymon Som: 1872 Newslates 5.00 Five Aside 8.00 Popcall 9.15 The Olympic Year; 1972 Munich and Sapporo (r) 10.10 Earshot, will John Cavanagh 12.00-12.10am News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. 4.30am A Small Matter of Taste 4.40 Travel and Weather News 4.45 News and Press Review in German 5.00 Morgenmagazin 5.20 Tips für Touristen 5.24 News in German 5.36 Europe Today 5.39 Measther 6.00 World News 6.30 Londres Matten 6.59 Weather 7.00 World News 6.30 Londres Matten 6.59 Weather 7.00 World News 6.30 News About Britain 7.15 The World Today 7.30 McCartney At 50 8.00 Newsdest 8.30 New Ideas 8.50 The Ohmpans 9.00 World News 9.09 Worlds of Faith 9.15 Concert Hall 10.00 World News 10.05 World Business Report Live 10.15 An A-Z of Rock and Pop 10.30 The Learning World 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News Summary 11.01 Discovery 11.30 Londres Midi 11.45 Mittagsmapsom 11.59 Business Update 12.00 Newsdest 12.30pm Megamik 1.00 World News 1.09 News About Britain 1.15 Multitract 1 1.45 Sports Roundup 2.00 Newshour 3.00 World News 3.05 Outdook Live 3.30 Off the Sheff, An Occasion for Loving 3.45 Turning a World News 1.09 News About Britain 1.15 Multitract 1 1.45 Sporrs Roundup 2.00 Newshour 3.00 World News 3.05 Outlook Live 3.30 Off the Sheft. An Occasion for Loving 3.45 Turning a Tune: Music Making in Ireland 4.00 World News 4.15 BBC English 4.30 Heute Aktuell 5.00 World and British News 5.14 Travel News 5.15 BBC English 5.30 Londres Sor 6.14 Look Ahead 6.20 World Business Report 6.29 News Summary 6.30 Heute Aktuell 7.00 German Features 7.54 News in German 8.00 World News 8.05 Outlook 8.30 Europe Tompht 9.00 World News 9.05 The World Today 9.25 Words of Raith 9.30 Meridian 10.00 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 Megamb 11.45 Sports Roundup 12.00 World News 12.05 World Business Report 12.15 Concert Hall 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 Omnibus 2.00 World News 2.05 Outlook 2.30 Women in Power 2.45 Country Style 3.00 Newsdesk 3.30 Development '92 4.00 World News 4.09 Worlds of Faith 4.15 Sports Roundup.

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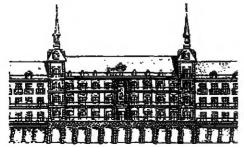
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GRANADA

6.55 Weather 7.00 Morning Concert: Mozart (Symphony No 40 in G minor, K550: Columbia SO under Bruno Walter) 7.30 News

7.30 Morning Concert (Cont): Palestrina (Motet, Sicut Idium Inter spinas); Gounod (Petite Symphonie); Prokofiev (Romeo

8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week:
Bocchenni (String Quintet in E,
Op 11 No 5: Smithsonian
Chamber Pleasers Communication and Juliet, Act 1, excerpts)

(Overture, School for Scandal; Utah SO under Joseph Silverstein); Bridge (Cello Sonata in D minor: Raphael Walffisch, cello, Peter Walffisch, piano); Britten (Sacred and Profane, Op 91: BBC Singers under John Poole); Hanson (Symphony No 2, Romantic Eastman Rochester Orchestra under the

Rochester Orchestra under the composer); Copland (Piano Concerto: New York PO under Leonard Bernstein, the

Andrew Litton, with Yuzuko Andrew Croon, with Yuzuko Hongome, violin, Nobuko Imai, viola, performs Mozart (Sinfonia Concertante in E flat, K364); Mahler (Symphony No

1.00pm News 1.05 St David's Hall Lunchtime

2.00 Music Weekly (r) 2.45 BBC Scottish SO under Jiri

Starek performs Haydn (Symphony No 47 in G); Dvolák (Overtures, in Nature Realm, Op 91, Carrival, Op 92, Othelio, Op 93) 3.55 Les Six and the Flute Chestoneles Haydo Smith find

(Aria); Durey (Sonatine); Honegger (Romance); Poulenc

Recital: Lown Blake, cello, and Caroline Palmer, piano perform Beethoven (Sonata in

G minor, Op 5 No 2); Franck

Christopher Hyde-Smith, flute, Jane Dodd, piano, perform Milhaud (Sonatine); Auric

6.55 The Trojan War. The Return

Thompson (Irus) and Christine Botes (Minerva). Interval talks at 8.00 and 9.20 by Tim

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Severin
CHOICE: Luckily for Radio 3
listeners, this ENO production
will be remembered more for
how it sounds more than for
how it looks, although there
are visually arresting moments
such as when Minerva's
arrows turn into streamers

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mid-flight, and the stage is littered with Penelope's slain suitors. But not to see Anthon

Rolfe Johnson's methodical preparations for his bloody

revenge is to miss some very

fine acting that is the equal o some very fine singing. If the Vespers of 1610 has got you only parbally hooked on Montaverdi, The Return of

diction once and for all

interwoven with the game of cards which suddenly flares

(Embryons desséchés No 1) (r) 11.30 News 11.35-12.35am Composers of the

Ulvases will settle your

addiction once and for all 10.30 Drama Now: Praine du Chien by David Mamer. In 1910, a man travels with his small son, a story felier and some card players by train across Wisconsin. Lee Montague plays the story-teller whose tale of murder and revenge is internacion with the page of

nto violence. (r)

11.00 George W Welch: Ian Gardiner (Bond Street); Andrew Hugill (Simon and Ennois); Safe, arr Gardiner

Jerzy Maksymuk with Stephen Hough, piano, performs Gorecki (Old Polish Music); Rachmaninov (Piano Concerto No 4 in G minor) 5.30 Mainly for Pleasure 6.50 News 5.55am Shipping 6.00 News Briefing 6.03 Weather 6.10 Farming 10day 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today. Incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, News 6.45 Business News 6.55, 7.55

Weather 7.25 8.25 Sports News 7.45 Thought for the 5 The Trojan War: The Return of Ulysses. Live transmission of the English National Opera production of Monteverdi's three-act opera from the London Colseum, Nicholas Kok conducts. Cast includes Anthony Rolfe Johnson (Ulysses), Jean Rugby (Penelope), Neil Jenkins (Eumaeus), Michael Chance (Amphinomus), Adrian Thomoson (Inis) and Christine Day 8.40 Yesterday in Parliament 9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross: 071 580 4411

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10.00-10.30 The Secret Diary of a Tax Collector (FM only): Stella is a long way from home, in Patagonia (2 of 3)
10.00 Daily Service (LW only): from Sheffield
10.15 The Bible (LW only): Acts of the Apostles. Michael Williams reads the first of ten episodes
10.30 Woman's Hour: Mee's the istat companys and performer jazz composer and performer kate Westbrook; discusses the future of the Ekcabeth Garrett Anderson Hospital; looks at the teaching of history in South Africa; and describes

how a gournet dinner can be grown in a window box 11.30 Medicine Now: Geoff Watts takes a look at the therapeutic value of painting in the treatment of schizrophrenia 12.00 You and Yours, with John

12.25pm Flying the Flag

CHOICE: A new series of Alex Shearer's comedies about British diplomacy abroad (pompous ambassador Dinsdale Landen, dogsbody ter Acre and office secretary Moir Leslie) opens in characteristic fashion with thick brushstrokes. Shearer's style is exemplified in the scene in which the British,

American and Russian
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ambassadors, Judging a
comely comrades contest in a
fledging Eastern block
democracy, cower under a
table while militant ferninsts wreck the proceedings. Contestants include a Miss

James Naughte

journalist (5)
2.30 Richard Baker Compares 2-30 Richard Baker Companes
Motes with an obost and
pianist, Jeremy Polmear and
Diana Ambacho, who are also
husband and wife (s)
3.00 Soundtrack (FM only); Jason
and the Thunderbirds (s) (r)
3.42-4.00 RSVP (FM only);
Matthew Parts investigates Matthew Parris investigates letters without replies. This week a letter from James I's

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping 2.00 Thirty-Minute Theatre: Dred Flowers. A punchy story within a story by Gerry Jones. A young and inexpenenced boxer falls for an attractive

Time
4.00 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope: Reviews a new book about Christopher Marlowe's death, revealing intingue and crime in 1593; Glyndebourne's new production of Tchaikovsky's Queen of Spades; and a lewis art exhibition in Cracow. Sue

3.00 Prime Minister's Question

Limb is Grll Pyrah's guest (s) 4.45 Short Story: Tears, Idle Tears, by Elizabeth Bowen 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News 6.30 The Miles and Millner Show: Tom Miles and Rob Millner

with a new senes of comedy with a new senes of comedy and music in which the classic are mangled beyond recovery. Guests are Jim Tavare, Jonathan Cecil and Flamma 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 File on Four (FM only)
7.20 Woman's Hour (LW only)
8.30 On the Cusp: Noreen

Alexander reports from South Africa 9.00 in Touch, with Peter White 9.30 Kaleidoscope (s) (r) 9.45 The Financial World Tonight

10.00 The World Tonight (s) 10.45 A Book at Bedtime. A British Picture, Ken Russell reads from Contestants include a MISS
Remould Tyres and Miss Heavy
Plant Machinery — names that
suggest that the new Russian
Revolution still has some way
to go 12.55 Weather

1.00 The World at One, with ricure, Ken Kussel reads from his autobiography (2 of 6) (5) 11.00 The Radio Programme (r) 11.30 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.20 Weather, 12.33 Shipping, 12.43 World Service (LW only)

Week: Delius (r)

1.00-2.25am Night School (Except in Scotland) (As broadcast on (Sonata) 4.35 College Concert BBC Philharmonic Orchestra under FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m;FM-97.6-99.8. Radio 2: FM-88-90.2. Radio 3: FM-90.2-92.4. Radio 4: 198kHz/1515m;FM-92.4-94.6. Radio 5: 693kHz/337m; 909kHz/330m, LBC: 1152kHz/261m; FM 97.3. Capital: 1548kHz/194m; FM 95.8. GLR: 1458kHz/206m; FM 94.9; World Service: MW 648kHz/463m. R5 at 9am) COMPILED BY PETER DEAR AND HEATHER ALSTON TV CHOICE PETER WAYMARK/RADIO CHOICE PETER DAVALLE